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March 25 1915. Temperature 6 a.m. 62. 2 p.m. 30
Humidity 73 55

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THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1915.

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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH AVIATORS BUSY.

AIRMEN'S DARING FEAT.

Bombs Dropped on Submarine Works.

MORE CAPTURES BY THE ALLIES.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

Successful British Air Attack.

March 24, 8.10 p.m.
The Admiralty has issued the report from Rear Commander Longmore of a successful air attack made to-day by the Dunkirk squadron on Hoboken, near Antwerp. Two aeroplanes were compelled to return on account of thick weather.

Submarine Works Bombed by Our Airmen.

Flight Commander Meates descended in Holland as his engine gave trouble, but Squadron Commander Courtney and Flight Lieutenant Rosher reached their objective, placing down to a thousand feet. They dropped four bombs each on submarines under construction, and it is believed that considerable damage was done to the works. Two submarine works were observed to be on fire. Five submarines were on the slips.

Attacking under Difficulties.

The aeroplanists experienced considerable difficulty in finding their way through the mist, and were subjected to heavy gun-fire while they were delivering their attack.

Belgians' Progress.

March 24, 4.40 p.m.
A Paris communique says a Belgian division has progressed on the right bank of the Yser, while another captured a trench on the left bank.

Allies Capture A Second Line of Trenches.

The communique continues:—We captured a second line of trenches at Hartmann Weiler, our troops organising themselves on the farther side of the second line, within a very short distance of the summit. We captured prisoners, including officers.

Allies' Successes—A Recapitulation.

(Havas Telegram.)

March 23.
Yesterday, at Notre Dame de Lorette, we held all the conquered trenches. Fierce counter-attacks delivered by the Germans at Eparges (a formidable position of the utmost importance) totally failed.

French aeroplanes bombarded numerous German positions with success.

In the afternoon a Zeppelin dropped bombs on Villers Cotteret. To-day the enemy again bombarded Rheims.

We progressed in Champagne. Two violent attacks against Bagatelle, in Argonne, were repulsed with very heavy losses for the Germans.

Przemysl surrendered with a 100,000 prisoners and liberated 160,000 men.

The Dacia.

Commissioners who met for the account of the Court of Enquiry concerning the steamer Dacia, confirmed the validity of the prize.

The Prize Court pronounced judgment with a verdict of two months' delay.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

French Report on Aviation Feats.

(Official Telegram from the French Government, via Peking.)

March 24.

We hold, north of Arras, all the trenches which have been contested for several days, with the exception of only ten metres, which the Germans still hold.

The enemy bombarded Albert hospital, killing five aged people. German aviators bombarded Rheims, three persons being killed. A Zeppelin bombarded Villers Cotteret, doing no damage.

Slight progress has been experienced in Champagne and also in Argonne, where two German attacks were totally repulsed. At Eparges five German counter-attacks also failed.

French airmen, replying to the Zeppelin's raid, bombarded, on the 21st and 22nd, about twenty stations or military positions belonging to the enemy—notably at Roze, Cernay and Fribourg.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

Normal Conditions Restored in Singapore.

March 23, 9.35 p.m.

The Press Bureau announces that all messages received since the last notification show the restoration of normal conditions in Singapore. All, except eleven, of the rebels have been captured, while five of the rioters have been court-martialled and shot, and others sentenced to terms of imprisonment.

During the riot seventeen German prisoners escaped, of whom six were re-captured. The conduct of the remainder was exemplary.

Surrendered Unconditionally.

March 24, 4.30 a.m.

A Petrograd communique states that Przemysl surrendered unconditionally.

The Russian detachment which reconnoitred towards Memel, Eastern Prussia, has retired to Russian territory.

The Russian forces in the Carpathians, progressing on the front from the Duala Pass to the Upper San, have captured three thousand five hundred prisoners.

All Quiet.

March 23, 8.15 p.m.

Field Marshal Sir John French, in his bulletin, states that all is quiet, except for occasional German artillery fire, the damage resulting from which is not commensurate with the amount of ammunition expended.

Killed Three Women and Four Civilians.

The enemy's airmen, continues the bulletin, have exhibited unwonted activity during the favourable weather, but have only succeeded in killing three women and four civilians. They flew at such a great height that they were unable to aim. This procedure is a great tribute to the British airmen, as it has been adopted in order to increase the chances of the German airmen escaping pursuit.

Sir John French's Optimism.

March 23, 8.15 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Paris says that Field Marshal Sir John French, in the course of an interview, emphasised the fact that he did not believe in a protracted war. He spoke favourably of the whole situation and laid emphasis on the great importance of continual large supplies of munitions.

The Field Marshal concluded by saying:—"I am convinced that, at the end of these hard months of war, definite victory awaits us."

Fighting Near Suz.

March 23, 10.20 p.m.

The Press Bureau announces that, at dawn yesterday, patrols discovered a party of the enemy near El Kabri, opposite Suz, and shots were exchanged.

Aeroplanes, making a reconnaissance, estimated the numbers of the enemy at one thousand, composed of infantry and artillery and a few cavalry.

The guns at El Kabri opened on the enemy, who retired and encamped eight miles away, eastward of the Canal.

Enemy in Full Retreat.

Early to-day, a force under Major General Sir G. J. Young, husband, K.O.L.E., O.B., attacked and routed the enemy, who are now in full retreat.

A prisoner, who was captured during the fighting, says that the force marched for twelve days direct from Bir-el-Sabs, and included General Von Trauer and three other German officers.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

The Przemysl Prisoners.

March 23, 9.5 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd the ex-commander of Przemysl reports that the total number of prisoners taken by the Russians is:—Generals 9, staff officers 93, officers 2,500, men 117,000.

Many guns and other booty were also taken by the Russians.

Original Garrison of Przemysl.

March 23, 11.10 p.m.

A further despatch from Petrograd announces that the Garrison of Przemysl originally consisted of 170,000 officers and men, of whom 40,000 were killed during the siege.

The prisoners included twenty thousand wounded.

"Austria's Sad Plight."

March 23, 10.20 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Rome states that the fall of Przemysl has created a tremendous impression in Italy.

It is estimated that this great success will liberate 150,000 Russian troops. The feeling prevails that, unless Berlin or Vienna immediately rushes reinforcements to the Galician front, Austria's sad plight will be rapidly aggravated.

More Reverses for the Germans.

March 24, 11 p.m.

A Paris evening communique says:—A German trench has been demolished and captured at Garenzy, north-west of Arras. Our artillery checked an attempt to bombard Soissons.

The enemy sprayed burning liquid into a trench at Vauquois, causing the defenders to withdraw for fifteen yards.

Two German attacks at Eparges were repulsed. The French have captured a line of trenches and a blockhouse at Hartman Weilerkopf.

MERCANTILE MARINE.

Compensation to Seamen Injured by War.

The Mercantile Marine Service Association, on behalf of the masters and officers of the merchant service, have been negotiating with the Government for a scheme granting compensation in respect of personal injuries they may have sustained, owing to the war. The Association is now in a position to announce that the following scale of compensation has been granted:—
(a) Where death and permanent total disablement result from the injury, £500 in the case of the master, £400 in the case of the chief engineer or chief officer, £300 in the case of other seamen; but no compensation is payable on a death when the deceased man leaves no dependents wholly or partially dependent on his earnings.
(b) Where partial or temporary disablement results from the injury, an allowance of £1 a week, but if the disablement lasts for more than a year it is to be regarded as permanent, and the injured man is to be paid half the amount that would have been payable in the event of his death, less the amount actually paid in weekly allowances. The agreement covers the persons employed or engaged in any capacity in any ships in the Association, but no compensation is payable under the agreement.

(1) For any injury for which compensation is payable under the Workmen's Compensation Act, of 1906, or for which the member is legally liable in damages.
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If the injury takes place where the ship is within an area of the sea or port on any voyage the entry or starting from which is a breach of any instructions given by the Admiralty, the compensation may be forfeited, in whole or in part, in the case of any seaman who was responsible for or should have known consent to the breach of such instructions.

WAR NEWS VIA THE HAGUE.

Telegrams to Netherlands India Papers.

The Hague, February 26—March 4: On the west of the Narew river in Poland the Germans are in full retreat. In some places, indeed, their retirement has developed into a wild flight. The quality of the troops, and especially of the officers, is described as very inferior. A newly-formed corps composed of young recruits was almost entirely annihilated. The defeat suffered by the Germans near Prasnyez is the most severe they have so far sustained. The losses of the Russian army now total 1,102,000 men. The Times Petrograd correspondent confirms that the German troops are retreating along the whole East Prussian front. Of the 15 to 18 army corps with which the Germans commenced operations on February 17, probably little over one half remain.

The British and French press publish lengthy articles on the significance of the Dardanelles bombardment, which they describe as a direct reply to Germany's blockade action and the German success in East Prussia. The Anglo-French action must be continued at any price, since, if successful, it will not only involve immense advantages for Russia, but will alter the whole trend of the war materially in the Allies' favour. The course of events in the East is being closely watched by Italy. The Turks have concentrated an army, consisting of the elite of their troops along the Sea of Marmora. Germany is said to have despatched submarines in sections to Austria, where they will be put together with a view to sailing in the Mediterranean.

The steamer Wrescham, of the Harwich line, has arrived at the Hook of Holland after being pursued by a German submarine right up to the neighbourhood of the Maas lightship. A Swedish ship has had to put into Ymunde badly damaged, having been struck by a torpedo from a submarine. The German submarine which was rammed by a British

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

The surrender Przemysl was unconditional.

Shots have been exchanged at El Kabri, opposite Suz.

The Press Bureau states that all is now normal at Singapore.

British aviators have made a raid on the German submarine works at Hoboken.

The enemy are in full retreat from El Kabri, pursued by a force under Sir G. J. Young, husband.

Sir John French has spoken most optimistically in an interview. He does not believe in a protracted war.

The Germans have again used burning liquid against the Allies, who merely withdrew for a space of fifteen yards.

The original garrison of Przemysl appears to have consisted of 170,000 officers and men. The Russians have taken prisoner 9 generals, 93 staff officers, 2,500 officers and 117,000 men.

NEWS.

General News appear on page 3. Further Notes on the Crisis appear on page 4.

Mr. H. P. White left London for Hongkong on March 6.

The annual meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company took place to-day.

The master of a steam launch was fined \$250 to day for carrying excess passengers.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2, Commercial News on page 9 and Log Book on page 6.

steamer near Beachy Head had only its periscope above water when it was observed. The captain of the steamer immediately altered his course, went full speed ahead towards the periscope and rammed the submarine.

The mail service between Holland and England and France is being maintained with regularity in both directions. There has been no interruption of shipping between Norway and England. The holding up of the Dacia by a French cruiser greatly simplifies the whole matter since the French prize law does not recognise the transfer of a ship to the register of a neutral State.

The value of the copper which it was attempted to smuggle into Germany and which has been seized by the authorities at Rotterdam amounts to 100,000 guilders. Krupp banking and armaments families have each subscribed for 30 million marks of the new German war-loan. The number of factory workers who will ere long be out of employment in Germany owing to shortage of raw material is estimated at 8 millions.

The 500 Chinese who were expelled from Germany are to be sent back to China via Austria-Hungary.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Wednesday, March 31.


The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., ordinary annual meeting of shareholders—11 a.m.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., ordinary annual meeting of shareholders—noon.

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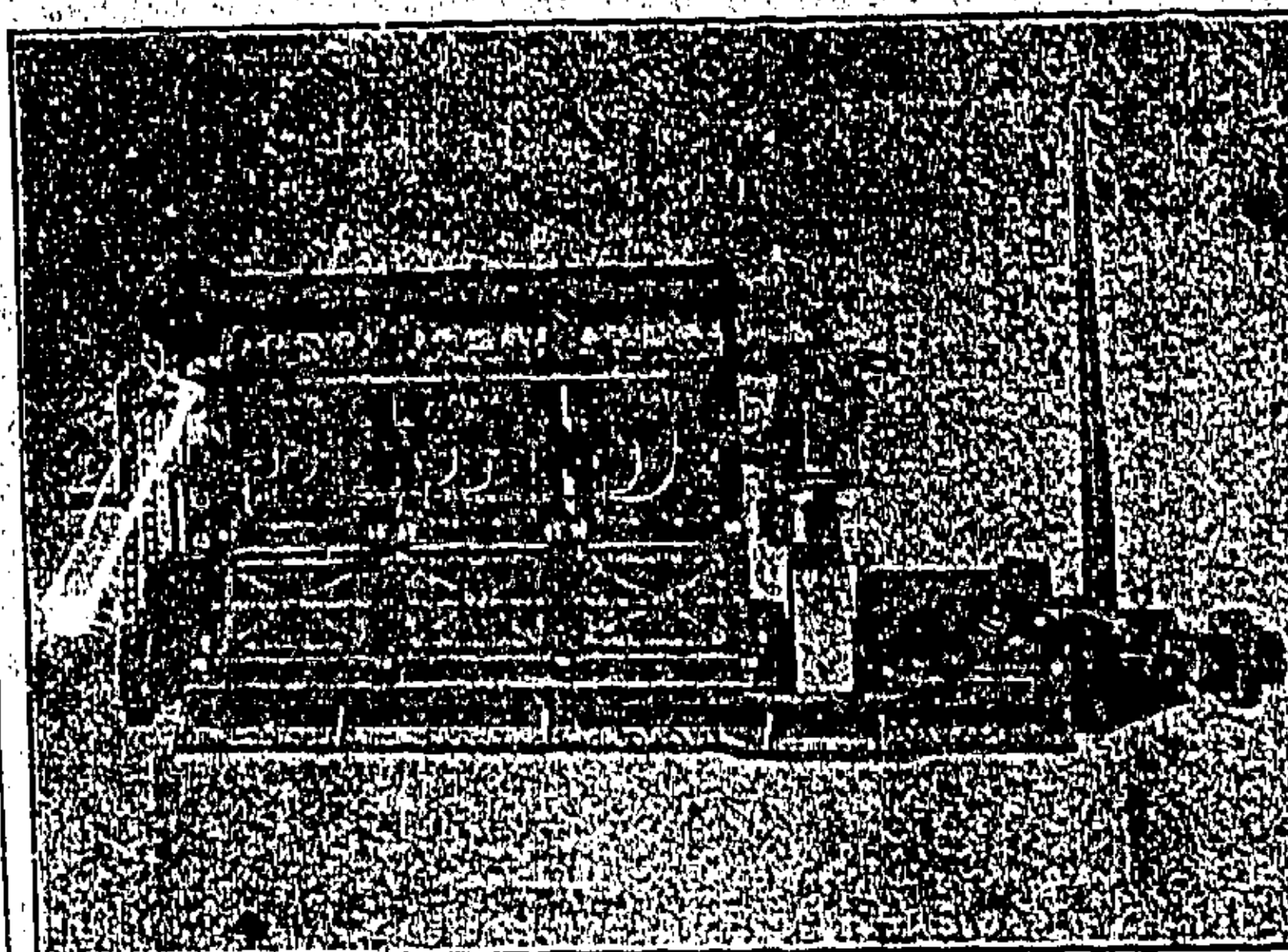
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regard in any part of the colony
can possibly be considered final
arrangements, but in some quar-
ters such arrangements have been
made as to reduce public nuisan-
ces to the minimum and it is
only such arrangements that the
populous district of Tsimshatsui
and, indeed, the whole of the Kow-
loon peninsula calls for. No
member of the Board need go
round and "solemnly inspect
these pots and pans" and poke
inquisitively into every nook and
corner, but it is the duty of all
the members of the Board, official
and unofficial, to do all they can
to bring about improvements. A
stigma of many years standing
clings to the name of Hongkong
and is still voiced by nearly every
visitor. Tired of gazing at the
beautiful panorama from the al-
titudes of the Peak, they wander
into the back alleys of the colony
in search of "phases of real
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sident knows, they have no diffi-
culty in finding them.

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trict. It is obviously important
that this question should receive
the earnest attention of the Minis-
try of Agriculture. Cotton issued
to be replacing the poppy to a
considerable extent in north and
west China and the present would
seem a particularly opportune
moment for taking the matter in
hand. There are now in China not
less than forty large cotton mills
with an aggregate of over a million
spindles, and the next ten years
will doubtless see that number
considerably enlarged and the
demand for raw material corre-
spondingly increased. No Govern-
ment worthy of the name would
be content to contemplate the
increasing import of a product
which the country with proper
encouragement is quite capable of
producing itself; but the Chinese
farmer is the incarnation of con-
servatism, and it is almost as
hopeless to expect him to change
his ideas as to persuade the leopard
to change his spots.

China Mail.

Germany's Responsibility
for the War.
None better than the Allies
know that the task of overthrow-
ing a bellicose nation thoroughly
prepared for war is a gigantic
undertaking, but they are as cer-
tain of their success as they are
that never again will they tolerate
such a menace as Germany has
been for so long to European
peace. The hegemony that Ger-
many, probed on and deluded by
the Prussians, aspired to foist on
to the rest of Europe is an impossi-
ble undertaking in these days,
when nations, small or large, are
more than ever tenacious of their
individual rights. The barbarous
and autocratic ideals that Germany
has been cherishing—ideals based
upon events of a different Europe
and indeed of a different world—
must and shall be overcome even
though it calls for the greatest ef-
fort on the part of the Allies.
Not until Germany is made to
realize this; is unable again to be
a menace to Europe, not until
Belgium is restored to her country
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barbarous invaders, shall the
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GENERAL NEWS.

A Dear Kiss.
For kissing a famous actress without permission, a man was fined \$50 by the police authorities of Peking recently.

Will President Wilson be Re-elected?
Washington, March 20.—Vice President Marshall in a stirring speech at Ogden, declares that President Wilson will be re-nominated by acclamation and is sure to be re-elected to the presidency for the period 1916-1920.

Quick Postal Work.
A postcard has just been delivered to Mrs. Sazell, wife of the foreman porter at Loughton Station. Its postmarks, says the "Mail," are "London, E. C., October 14 '84," and "Loughton October 14 '84." It bears a Victorian stamp, and has apparently lain in Loughton Post Office for thirty years.

Teetotal Russia.
Petrograd, February 18.—The Ministry of Finance is organising an international competition with prizes ranging up to £3,000 for methods of rendering methylated spirits and similar harmful liquors absolutely undrinkable. A second competition is being arranged with prizes of value up to \$7,500 for new or improved methods of utilising spirit for combustible and other purposes. The total awards will amount to nearly £28,000.

Unfounded Rumours.
Rumours have been spread in Hankow, and doubtless elsewhere that the Banque de l'Indo-Chine and the French Group are withdrawing their participation from the Hukang Railway, as well as the Soobuan line. The Bank in Hankow has been authorized to deny these rumours which are altogether unfounded. The French Group will continue to meet all its obligations and it waives none of its rights and privileges as regards the above mentioned railways.

Death of the Head of Bass.
London, Feb. 19.—News was received in Burton today of the death from pneumonia of Capt. A. J. Clay, managing director of Messrs. Bass, Ratcliff and Grattan. Capt. Clay, who was aged 45, caught a chill while serving with his regiment in this country. He was the eldest son of the late Mr. C. J. Clay, of Holly Bush, Burton, whom he succeeded in the managing directorship in the Bass concern, and established important motor works at Burton.

Manila Army Officer Injured at Polo.
Lieut. Adna R. Chaffee of the 7th U.S. Cavalry is at the military department hospital in Manila suffering from severe injuries which he received in a practice polo game at Camp Stotsenburg last week. In the course of the play, says the *Cablenews American*, he was struck in the mouth by a mallet. At first it was feared that he had suffered a broken jaw, but an examination at the hospital to-day proved that this was not so. However, several teeth in both his upper and lower jaws were knocked out.

Teetotal Alabama.
The state of Alabama becomes dry on June 30, through an act of the legislature, which has declared for prohibition. This, says an American paper, is the third switch in the state's policies on the liquor question which has occurred in the last ten years. During that time some counties have remained dry continuously, while others permitted liquor under local option laws. New laws give careful definition of what constitutes intoxicating liquors and how they shall be forbidden, including the penalties.

English Girls Off to Australia.
A party of 120 girls who have been thrown out of work owing to the war, left London last month for Australia, where they are to try their fortune as domestic servants. They represent the first contingent of young women selected by the Queen's Work for Women Fund for emigration, and they received a hearty send-off at St. Pancras Station. Each of the girls has received a complete outfit from the Queen's Fund, and in addition £1 towards fare and £1 landing money. The fare is £3 each, and each emigrant is required to repay £2 from her wages to the State in which she settles. The party included girls who had formerly earned their living as typists, shop assistants, dressmakers, factory workers, etc.

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London, February 13.—The extent of the Bank of England's release of gold from Ottawa for New York depends on the action of your exchange market. No restriction is being imposed, other than the fixing of a price for the gold, equivalent to freight and insurance charges from London. The prevalent high ocean insurance rates are an important factor in lowering your gold-import point.

Will Europe Sell Our Stocks?
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In Continental Finance.
From the absence of any statement of the Austro-Hungarian Bank since the war began, it is inferred that gold from that institution has been utilised on German account. We cannot explain the continued accumulation of gold at the Imperial German Bank, except on the supposition of extreme pressure on private holders. If so, the policy is questionable, because coupled with great currency inflation and pursued along with suspension of gold redemption—conditions which might accelerate internal dissension and financial crisis in the case of any serious German disaster.

The outcome of the conference of the Allies' Ministers confirms my previous cables. Its chief decision concerned the facilitating of Russian remittances abroad and of all external payments by the Allies to neutral countries. Russia is about to issue her £10,000,000 loan in 5 per cent Treasury bills. Its favourable reception is ensured.—*New York Evening Post.*

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"It is perfectly true that the managements of the three Dutch Indies undertakings in which our company is the principal shareholder, sell their rubber to American buyers and have done so from the commencement of tapping in 1910. The present contracts were made by them prior to the embargo on rubber exports from this country, and our company has no power to cancel the contracts, even if its directors either wished to do so or deemed that course necessary or beneficial.

"With a full knowledge of the conditions our directors are of opinion that any further efforts to restrict the delivery of plantation rubber to American purchasers will do grave injury to this country, politically and industrially, while not achieving the object for which the prohibition of rubber exports was intended.

"The American market is so depleted of rubber that the demands of perfectly bona fide manufacturers in the States who would use the material only for their own home trade cannot be met.

"We fully agree that before the prohibition America was a large customer at the London Rubber Sales, and it is doubtless a fact that some of the supplies thus obtained did go to our enemies, but the position now is entirely different.

"American manufacturers will not let their works stand idle and their workpeople starve so that raw rubber may be sent from New York to European markets, neither will they fill foreign orders for rubber goods before supplying American and Canadian orders.

"Let us assume that the British Government could and did stop rubber from the Dutch Indies estates in which we and other English companies are interested from being sent to America, and could compel the estates to send it to London.

"This would not only further reduce the price of rubber on this side, and possibly compel some of the estates to stop tapping their trees (because there would be loss instead of profit), but the Dutch owned estates, in which there are no English shareholders, would still be at liberty to send their rubber to America and get a still higher price for it.

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BIRTH.

KRING.—On March 6, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. T. Kring, Chefoo, a son.

DEATH.

COMRIE.—On March 25, at the Seamen's Institute, Hongkong Henry Comrie of Liverpool, late Chief Officer s.s. Mexico City, aged 37.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1915.

THE TWO IDEALS.

Sir Edward Grey's latest speech, like all his preceding utterances on the war, is not by any means a small matter to be pushed idly aside after superficial perusal. Every line of it may almost be said to contain some lesson or some striking truth; but, for those who have not leisure to regard it analytically, its message can yet be summed up in a very few words: a confident defiance of Germany and a determination to prove to the world that the honour of Britain, France and Russia left no course open to them but that which they have pursued. The war might have been prevented; "all might have been avoided by a European conference." "On Germany rests, for all time, the appalling responsibility for the war." This is what Sir Edward has to say to the world—whether allies, neutrals or enemies; and he supports it with a brief train of reasoning against which all the lies and all the casuistry in the universe cannot prevail.

Among other things which are very much to the point, he swiftly outlines the contrasting ideals of the Allies and of Germany. That of the Allies is "that the nations of Europe should live free and independent lives, working out, in their own firm of Government, their own national development, whether great or small states, in full liberty." Meanwhile Germany's ideal is "that the Germans are a superior people, to whom all things are lawful in securing power, and against whom any resistance is unlawful." That these words of the Secretary for Foreign Affairs are not mere talk, mere cant, can be seen when we glance, if only for a moment, at the policy pursued by Germany before the war, at her conduct towards those who opposed her since war broke out, and, further, at the utterances of her own mouthpieces. While—no one is now trite argument—the Allies cannot, by any stretching of the imagination, be accused of having brought about the trouble, inasmuch as it has been proved beyond all doubt that not one of them was at all prepared for a defensive, much less an offensive, campaign, Germany was ready at every point; so ready that she could afford, or thought she could afford, to reject the common-sense proposal of a conference. Of what good would a conference be to a nation that regarded itself as superior, and one to be kowtowed to by all others.

Noise, bombast, "bluff" bullying, saying "Go here," or "Go there"—this was what Germany thought the other countries were going to endure mildly from her. Russia was to be regarded as a land of savages who would be kept in check by the mere word of command of the Emperor William; Belgium was to be just a highway through which the Prussians could pass to smash at an old enemy that had not trembled enough to suit them—and Britain was to stand by with averted head while all this was done. Had Britain thus played the sneak and the blackguard, Germany's respect for her would have been abounding—until opportunity arose for subduing her also. Because our country has, on the contrary, chosen to follow up the traditions of a clean name, among the nations, she is branded as meretricious, scheming, hypocritical, and all else that is bad. But it happens that just now, as Sir Edward's remarks bear witness, we and our allies would rather have her abuse and hatred than her compliments; for such hatred as hers is the surest sign of the presence of fear.

Another Hongkong Educational Puzzle.

We wonder who the wisecracks were who decreed that a novel of Jane Austen's should be used as a reading-book for one of the forms in Queen's College. This is so like Hongkong. About five per cent. of British fiction readers have read Jane Austen, and, of those, four have done so without in the least understanding them, but rather because they felt that they were fulfilling a necessary though irksome duty; for it is not "the thing" to be totally ignorant where Miss Austen is concerned. The remaining one per cent. derive, or appear to derive, much pleasure therefrom. Looked at from the British reader's standpoint, though Jane Austen's extremely finepointed satire and perfect delineation of character are worth their weight in gold and have never been—perhaps never will be—surpassed by any English woman novelist, her stories do not meet modern requirements. This seems a bold and brutal way of putting the matter, but we shall probably find many persons willing to bear out the remark. Her novels form part of a Britisher's literary education, but they are scarcely nearer to providing recreation and rest of mind than, let us say, Pearson on the Creed or Darwin's "Descent of Man." From the Chinese point of view, books which come perilously near to deserving the term "bore-some" where British readers are concerned, are scarcely the kind of meat on which to feed the Chinese intellect. What can be the object of instituting—we forget now whether it is "Pride and Prejudice" or "Sense and Sensibility"—as a set book for Queen's College boys? As a picture of English domestic life there hardly remains a line of truth in them. As well might one hope to study the manners and morals of the Anglicized Hongkong Chinese by reading one of their early nineteenth century plays or romances. From a style point of view the Austen novels can be battered by scores of English writers, and if Britishers find them "slow," they must bore the Chinese to the verge of tears—in addition to failing to give them the very least notion of what life in England is! In any language the transitional literature, between the historical and the up-to-date, must be the most difficult; and, furthermore, the period which Jane Austen dealt with is, as nearly as possible, the most uninteresting that could be found. Has it never occurred to the Hongkong educational authorities that the Chinese would find better English in "Robinson Crusoe" or "John Bunyan," or—assuming that these have already been studied—that there are many modern and quasi-modern novelists whose writings come under the head of "literature" and can be relied upon to depict truthfully the period with which they deal. Why choose the uninteresting and not particularly instructive when combinations of the interesting and instructive abound?

The New Canton Chief of Police. We remarked, some while ago, upon a report then current as to the appointment of Mr. F. Shengchi as chief of Canton police. The report has proved to be a true statement for, as will be seen from our Canton correspondent yesterday, Mr. Fai has been duly installed. The new Chief of Police comes with a good record behind him as a worker, and the fact that he was formerly in the service of the Chinese Empire should give him a fair view of the claims of all parties. Only those who have seen a Canton police chief at work have any conception of the difficulties of his position; for he is dealing, at all hours of the day, with a people that has not yet forgotten that it is easier to execute a suspect first and try him afterwards, and has not yet grasped the notion that it is more politic to prevent crime than to spend large sums on merely detecting and punishing it. We wish Mr. Fai joy of his task.

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The Construction Head Office of the F.M.S. Railways are being removed from Seremban, and on and after March 29 will be permanently located in Kuala Lumpur. All communications should be addressed to the Chief Resident Engineer for Construction, F.M.S. Railways, Kuala Lumpur.

DAY BY DAY.

PUT NOT YOUR TRUST IN PRINCES.

The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 63;

rain.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 55;

rain.

Count the Columns.

Yesterday the Telegraph published 34 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 33½ published.

To-day's Anniversary.

To-day is the Feast of the Annunciation, or "Lafy Day."

The Mails.

English Mail.—Due per s.s. Oriental to-day.

Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s. Nabia to-day.

Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. Chiryo Maru at 11 a.m. to-day.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Oriental to-morrow at 9 a.m.

Up to the Minute—Share Market News.

Closing prices:—

Unions.—\$875, buyers.

Indos.—\$80 nominal.

Duglases.—\$35, buyers.

China and Malacca.—5½ sales and sellers.

Steamboats.—\$23, sellers.

Tronchs.—31½ sellers.

Lyon Kung Mows.—\$85.

Shanghai Octons.—\$85.

Green Islands.—\$8.85, buyers.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1s 9.15-16d.

Lan kat Output.

The Langkat output yesterday was 232 tons.

Returning to the Colony.

Mr. H. P. White, of Messrs. Douglas, Lapraik is on his way back to the Colony, having left London on March 6 by the P. and O. s.s. Tahiti.

Notice to Consignees.

Consignees are warned that goods delivered by the s.s. City of Corinth and the s.s. Egbert, if not claimed by to-morrow, will be subject to rent.

Annual College Sports.

The annual athletic sports in connection with St. Stephen's College will be held to-morrow, on the Jockey Club ground, at the Happy Valley.

Kailan Output.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending March 13 amounted to 83,381.82 tons and the sales during the period, to 54,428.34 tons.

Rear Admiral Damper.

Captain Cecil Frederick Damper, who has been promoted Rear-Admiral, was appointed commander of the Aurora in 1900, which he gained a medal on the China Station.

China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Shareholders in the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. are requested to apply to the office of the Company for dividend warrants according to an advertisement in another column.

Share Certificate Lost.

Two share certificate No. 6013 for twenty shares numbered 53102/81, in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, standing in the name of Mrs. Laura McIntosh, has been reported lost according to our advertisement columns, in which warning is issued.

The Employers Liability Assurance Corporation Limited.

The directors of the Employers' Liability Assurance Co., Ltd., of which Messrs. W. G. Humphreys & Co. are the local agents, in their thirty-fourth annual report state that the premiums for the year are £1,932,177 against £1,734,967 for the year 1913. They have already paid an interim dividend of 5½ per share, and now recommend a further dividend of 11½ per share (free of Income Tax), making together a dividend of 16½ per share for the year. This will absorb £80,000.

Ridley Memorial Scholarship.

News has just been received by cablegram, that Frank Dealy, the elder son of the Head Master of Queen's College, has just been awarded the Ridley Memorial Scholarship of £80 p.a. tenable for 2 years at the Adelaide University, from the State Agricultural College at Roseworthy, near Adelaide, South Australia. The course at Roseworthy is one of three years, and this Scholarship is awarded to the best 3rd year student at the final Diploma Examination. The Scholarship was first awarded in 1913, and as it is only available every alternate year, the present is the second award. Students of the Roseworthy Agricultural College are alone eligible for it.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

170,000 ACCOUNTED FOR AT PRZEMYSL.

Further German Atrocities.

The biggest success of the war, the fall of Przemyel, can only be fully realised when the figures given by the official Petrograd communique are thoroughly studied. A garrison of 170,000 men have been accounted for—forty thousand dead and one hundred and twenty thousand captured. The fall of this important fortified place was only a question of time so long as the Russians maintained their successful march against the Austrians, and the matter for remark is that the garrison held out so long. Of course it must be admitted that the forces imprisoned in the fortress were well provided with munitions, for after a six months siege they were still able to fire three thousand shells per day, and the great factor in bringing about a surrender at this stage would seem to be lack of food.

That the fall would create an immense impression throughout the world is only to be expected. For the first time it draws universal attention to the distressing plight of Austria. The position immediately created is that this fall has liberated an immense number of troops for service in Galicia. The moral superiority that the Russians will gain from this victory and the addition of these new men, mean that frantic efforts will have to be made, by either the Germans or the Austrians, to hurry reinforcements to the Galician front, and complete disaster will be the result, so far as the two Allied Empires are concerned, if the Russians should secure another big victory in this locality. It is up to Russia to push the matter a little further and with the liberation of at least a quarter of a million men—it surely must have taken that number to imprison the forces now surrendered—they should have ample means at their disposal for so doing.

One more revelation to civilisation as a development of culture is the method the Germans have now adopted to gain, if possible, some kind of success. Their men and their arms have failed against the men and the arms of the Allies, and now the enemy adopts incineration as a means of securing a success which they can publish from Berlin to the people of their hoodwinked nation, thereby drawing a film of sham success across their eyes. They have sprayed burning liquid on a trench at Yauquois, which caused the defenders to withdraw some fifteen yards. Still it was not totally unexpected perhaps since the Kaiser and his henchmen have continually played with fire. To gain a success by such means is like stealing a trophy and claiming to have won it—it is just about as honest and just as great an achievement to be proud of. But the people who have been fooled will themselves finally decide the punishment for the Kaiser when the fever of war is over and they are able to look into the history of the past happenings without prejudice. The artisans of Germany through the socialists have indicated this already since their papers have called out for a cessation of hostilities. The Kaiser for years was the ruler of a prosperous country and an expanding nation; he enjoyed the glory of that position, and with the selfishness characteristic of him, he has reduced his possession to wreck and ruin in the evening of his life, leaving a legacy for his son. Those who spread fire should be careful of the flames, because they burn those they were not meant for as sorely as those they were.

MAGISTERIAL LENIENCY.

Possession of a "Cut Pocket Knife."

A man charged on remand with being in possession of an instrument for an unlawful purpose, to wit "a cut pocket knife," was sentenced to fourteen days' without hard labour," by Mr. J. E. Wood, at the Police Court, this morning.

P. O. Reid captured the defendant.

MORE LITIGATION.

Defendant Says He Has Ten Witnesses.

If an Indian watchman charged with stealing a bicycle, at the Police Court, this morning, carries out his threat to call ten witnesses, Mr. Hazeland, will be occupied for some time in hearing the charge. The bicycle appears to belong to a Sepoy on duty at Lyceum. The defence is that the bicycle was purchased from the complainant.

However the case has been remanded and the story must keep for a little longer.

THAT FRIEND.

Another "Present" of Contraband.

Every Chinese caught in unlawful possession of arms appears to be blessed with a generous friend or he is left in the unfortunate position of holding them for somebody he does not know. This morning, at the Police Court, the generous friend "story" was again told, but the Bench did not enthuse over it and fined the man with the revolver and one hundred rounds, the sum of \$150.

HOLY WEEK.

Lectures by Bishop Lander.

The Bishop of Victoria will give a course of addresses in his private Chapel at St. Paul's College in Holy Week at 5.30 p.m.; the course is as follows:—

Monday March 29th "The Tears of Christ."

Tuesday March 30th "The Loneliness of Christ."

Wednesday March 31st "The Sinlessness of Christ."

Thursday April 1st "The Courage of Christ."

YACHTING.

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

The last of the series of Championship Races in connection with the above Club were sailed off on Saturday last and resulted as follows:—

Handicap Class.

Course:—Datum Rock (P) Distance 14.8 miles. Preparatory Gun 2.25 p.m. Starting Gun 2.30 p.m.

Name. M. S. H.M.S. H.M.S.

Dione Scratch. 5.51.52 5.51.52

La Linda 3.42 5.52.49 5.49.07

Rolla 4.56 5.54.08 5.49.12

Kathleen 9.52 6.02.31 5.52.39

Colleen 9.52 D.N.S.

Dorothea 14.48 D.N.F.

Ayesha 17.20 6.22.31 6.05.05

Position for Race. to date.

(1) La Linda 8 56

(2) Rolla 6 17

(3) Dione 5 52

(4) Kathleen 4 30

(5) Ayesha 3 19

Colleen — 40

Dorothea — 34

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Name. Finishing Time.

Ailes. H. M. S.

Allanah. 5. 17. 0

Daphne. 5. 18. 41

Bonita. 5. 19. 23

Halcyon. D. N. S.

Position for Race. to date.

(1) Ailes. 6 36

(2) Allanah. 4 31

(3) Daphne. 3 28

Bonita. — 11

Halcyon. — 0

Winner of Championship.

No Rum for Union Troops.

Johannesburg, February 18.—

The practice of serving liquor to the Union troops as rations has been stopped. None is now served except medicinally.

OUR INCREASED TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

Our readers will hear with satisfaction that we have just concluded negotiations with Reuter's Telegram Company which will enable us to provide them with much more in the way of war news than has hitherto been possible. By the new arrangement, Reuter will supply us with a considerably increased service.

THE BISHOP'S TOUR.

Christianity in the Pakhoi Neighbourhood.

The Bishop of Victoria has returned from his recent visit to Pakhoi and neighbourhood. At Pakhoi he confirmed some sixty persons, including fourteen lepers, in the O.M.S. Leprosy Hospital. He presided over the annual conference of workers, admitted some Chinese Lay Readers and conducted special services for the missionaries, the European community and the Chinese Christians.

At Liemolow, he dedicated a handsome new Church that has been erected in memory of Miss Beatrice Bakewell. The Church, which is a large one, was more than thronged by Chinese Christians and "enquirers," the chief magistrate of the district being prominent among them. After the dedication, the Bishop held a confirmation in the new Church.

At Kotak he also opened a new Mission Hall. He was much impressed with the progress of the work in this part of his large Diocese. The good influence of the Medical Mission is very apparent, and it is gratifying that two of the doctors from Pakhoi are opening up new medical missionary work at Yunnan.

The Bishop was accompanied by Miss Lander and Master John Lander.

THEATRICALS.

Howitt-Phillips Company Coming.

Hongkong will be interested to hear that the Colony is soon to be visited by the Howitt-Phillips Theatrical Company, which has been playing in India and Rangoon and which is now entertaining the public at Singapore. The Company is due here early next month, and, judging from the Press reports concerning the Company's work elsewhere, some good things are in store.

Mr. Charles Howitt is the leading man, and with him he is said to have a company of "capable players." The Company's repertoire is certainly most attractive, including as it does such well-known plays as "When Knights Were Bold," "Milestones," "Raffles," "Nobody's Daughter," "Diplomacy," "Mrs. Dot" and "Passers By."

"When Knights Were Bold" is one of the Company's star pieces, and those who have seen it before will no doubt hail with delight another opportunity of witnessing this seemingly funny farcical comedy, while others should on no account miss seeing it. During the season also, two new one-act plays "Barrie's 'Der Tag' and Conan Doyle's 'Waterloo' will also be produced."

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output to date for the current month is as follows:—

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2	...	240	
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COMPANY MEETING.

The China Fire Insurance Company Ltd.

(VERBATIM)

The forty-sixth ordinary meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, was held this noon at the offices of the Company, when the Hon. Mr. E. Shellim presided. There were also present:—Messrs J. W. C. Bonnar, R. Shawan, W. L. Patterson, J. A. Plummer, directors, Messrs K. D. Gazdar, W. E. Clarke, F. E. Mollugh, D. Clark, F. Smyth, B. M. Conceicao, G. H. May, T. G. Weall, A. H. M. da Silva, Chan Pat, Leung Yan, Po, and C. Pemberton, secretary.

The secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the chairman said:—

The directors' report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will, subject to your approval, adopt the usual course and take them as read.

The past twelve months unfortunately have proved none too favourable, as losses were the heaviest in the history of the company. While these were spread over a number of agencies, we had more especially to deplore heavy claims through a series of fires on the cotton greens in Bernabai and considerable losses in the Philippines. The war too has affected us adversely, for up to its outbreak premium income showed an upward tendency, but this was followed by a considerable falling off in the latter months of the year and there is no immediate improvement in this connection.

Working account 1913 ran off with a profit of \$244,700.75 which, while much smaller than usual, would under ordinary circumstances have permitted the same distribution as last year. Unfortunately we had to face a depreciation in our Scribitts of \$92,051.75 and it is a matter of regret to your board that they are therefore only able to recommend a dividend of \$7.00 and a bonus of \$2.00 a share, absorbing \$180,000.00, and the addition of the balance of \$64,700.75 to Investment Fluctuation Account. With this addition and after the depreciation has been met the account will stand at \$5,033.94 as shown in the balance sheet. In this connection I may mention that your directors after due consideration decided to write 5 per cent. off the book value of all sterling securities, where no market quotation was available. Your directors are however satisfied that all the Securities are sound ones and their depreciation we hope is only temporary.

Working account 1914 shows a balance of \$300,003.36 which is the smallest carry forward for many years, and we can only hope that this will run off with a minimum of losses.

The increase in charges is accounted for by heavy legal expenses incurred in connection with our new articles.

In regard to our mortgages the company's surveyors have reported on the properties under loan to us and we are satisfied that our advances are perfectly safe.

I will now move that the directors' report and statement of accounts for the year 1914 as presented be adopted, after this has been seconded I shall be glad to answer any questions that may be put relating to the business before the meeting.

Mr. W. E. Clarke:—I beg to second the adoption of the report and statement of accounts.

The Chairman:—There being no questions, gentlemen, it has been proposed by myself and seconded by Mr. Clarke that the report and statement of accounts be adopted. Those in favour will please hold up their hands.—those against—carried unanimously. The next business is the confirmation of Messrs. F. Lieb, A. Widmann, R. Shawan, and J. A. Plummer as directors.

Mr. D. Clark:—I beg to propose the confirmation of Messrs. F. Lieb, A. Widmann, R. Shawan, and J. A. Plummer as directors.

Mr. K. D. Gazdar:—I beg to second that.

The chairman:—The confirmation of the appointment of directors has been proposed by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mr. Gazdar. Those in favour will please hold up their hands.—

COTTON AND YARN REPORT.

Messrs Polishwalla and Kottwall's report of to-day's date states:—

Rupess T. T. 1362, sterling 1/8.15-16 Shanghai T/T 78. Rupess D/D 137, Sterling 4m/st 1/10.1-8 Japan 892 Bar Silver 23.13-16.

Our last report, per s.s. "Sardinia" was despatched on the 12th inst.

Since when our market has rolled dull throughout the fortnight. In the beginning of the period under review, one or two of the importers lowered their rates three to four dollars and thus managed to dispose of some 2,500 bales.

Later, however, the native dealers have refused to operate despite the inducements held out to them by way of further concessions in values.

The Bombay market is reported quiet.

Total sales 2,500 bales. Unsold stocks, and undelivered in godowns 70,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The Mail Str. "Nubia" and extra Str. "Bombay Maru" from Bombay, and Str. "Kulsang" from Calcutta have brought in 6,100 bales for Hongkong, and 5,500 bales for Shanghai. Shipment from Hongkong to Shanghai 1,000 bales.

Shanghai.—This market is advised dull.

Japanese Yarn.—Small sales have come under our notice, and prices show a decline of three dollars per bale. 100 bales Yellow Jess No. 20 at \$108. 50 bales Setu No. 20 at \$113.

Raw Cotton.—Bengal, no sales. Chinese 400 small bales have been sold at \$24.00 per picul. Quotations Bengal at \$10.00 to \$20.00, Chinese at \$21.00 to \$24.00.

DAY BY DAY

Theft of Clothing. A coolie at 56 the Peak has complained to the Police that he has stolen from him clothing and boots to the value of \$12.

Found Wandering. The police have sent to the Hospital a Chinese woman whom they found wandering on the Praya. She is apparently suffering from an unsound mind.

Damage to Trees. Willful damage to some trees belonging to Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company, has been reported to the Police. It is reported that some one stripped the bark off them.

Hongkong Police Inspection. The annual inspection of the Hongkong Police Force will take place to-morrow afternoon in the Police compound, the inspection being made by H. E. the Governor.

Chief Officer's Death. We regret to learn that Mr. Henry Corrie, late Chief Officer s.s. Mexico City died last evening of pneumonia at the Seamen's Institute. Mr. Corrie's home was in Liverpool and his age was 37. The funeral takes place to-morrow at 10 a.m.

against. The next business is the re-election of directors.

Mr. A. H. M. da Silva:—I beg to propose that the Hon. Mr. E. Shellim and Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar be re-elected directors.

Mr. Leung Yan Po:—I beg to second that.

The chairman:—It has been proposed by Mr. da Silva and seconded by Mr. Leung Yan Po, that myself and Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar be re-elected directors. Those in favour—against—carried unanimously. The next business is the appointment of auditors.

Mr. Mollugh:—I beg to propose the appointment of Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown as auditors at the remuneration of \$500 each.

Mr. F. Smyth:—I beg to second that.

The chairman:—The appointment of Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown as auditors at a remuneration of \$500 each has been proposed by Mr. Mollugh and seconded by Mr. F. Smyth. Those in favour will please hold up their hands.—Against. That is all the business, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow and may be had on application at the office.

WORLD FREE TRADE.

Would It Ensure Peace?

In a presentation to President Wilson on the alternative, "War or Commercial Freedom," the trustees of the Reform Club declared that the United States can accelerate the progress toward peace by urging international guarantees of free trade at sea and free access to the sea. The presentation, dated February 10, quoted Mr. Jacob Schiff's summary of the war situation as follows:—

War could only be made to cease entirely if all the nations of Europe could be organised into a United States of Europe and if free trade were established throughout the world. In the first instance, the extreme nationalism which has become so rampant during the past fifty years, and which has been more or less at the bottom of every war, would then cease to exist and prevail, and in the second event, namely, if free trade became established throughout the world, the necessity for territorial expansion and aggression would no longer be needed, for with the entire world open on equal terms to the commerce and industry of every nation, territorial possession would not be much of a consideration to any people.

Mr. Schiff regards this as utopian," the presentation stated, adding, "but there are differing kinds and degrees of restrictions upon trade." The restrictions were dealt with as follows:—

Limitations on Sea Trade. (1) There is the restriction of tariffs imposed by nations upon themselves (protectionism). Under existing circumstances, it must be left to the intelligent self-interest of the masses and the solvent influences of commerce to slowly overcome the delusions and the selfish private interests on which this obstruction is based.

(2) There are restrictions upon the best use for international commerce, of the terminal and land transfer facilities of the great trade routes and seaports of the world. A few such ports command entrance to and exit from vast continental hinterlands. It is vital to these interior regions that their natural communications with the outside world should be kept widely open, and this is equally vital to the rest of the world. Obstructive control of such ports and routes to the detriment of the world's commerce can not, and should not, be tolerated by states whose interest are adversely affected.

But routes and ports are needed for use, not government; and port rivalries constantly tend towards offering the best and equal facilities to all. The swelling tides of commerce are clearing their own channels, and mutual interests will more and more prompt the States through which the principal trade routes pass to facilitate the movement of commerce.

(3) There are restrictions upon opportunities to trade with territories ruled as colonies, or being exploited within spheres of influence. This is what now remains of the old mercantile system which flourished before our Revolutionary War and which has been weakening ever since. Great Britain claims no preference for herself in her colonies. Other States have been less liberal. The fear of such restrictions being applied against them is to day the main motive for a policy of colonial overseas possessions. If industrial States could be assured of the application of the open-door policy, no State would envy another its colonies. Colonies should be the world's commons.

(4) There are restrictions on the free use of the sea. Unlike land routes, ocean routes are offered practically without cost to all, whithersoever the sea runs. Over these, however, till modern times commerce has been subjected to pillage by regular warships as well as by pirates. The claims of commerce have been more slowly recognised on the sea than on the land; and to an extent now unthinkable on land, warring states still feel free to interfere with neutral traders.

A World Restrained. The presentation asked if, "in view of what is now going on in Europe can any one believe that arbitration can deal with the real

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causes which bring on wars?" The situation confronting the European belligerents and the national commercial rivals of the world was thus summarised:—

Servia wants a window on the sea, and is shut out by Austrian influence.

Austria wants an outlet in the east—Constantinople or Salonica. Russia wants ice-free ports on the Baltic and Pacific, Constantinople, and free outlet from the Black Sea into the Mediterranean.

Germany claims to be hemmed in by a ring of steel, and needs the facilities of Antwerp and Rotterdam for her Rhine Valley commerce—security against being shut out from the east by commercial restrictions on the overland route, and freedom of the seas for her foreign commerce.

England must receive uninterrupted supplies of food and raw materials, and her overseas communications must be maintained. This is true also of France, Germany, Belgium, and other European countries.

Japan, like Germany, must have opportunity for her expanding population, industries, and commerce.

The foreign policies of the nations still at peace are also determined by trade relations. Our own country desires the open door in the East.

South and North American States and Scandinavia are already protesting against the war's interference with their ocean trade.

All nations that are not in possession of satisfactory harbours on the sea demand outlets, and cannot and ought not to be contented till they get them.

Nations desiring to extend their colonial enterprises ascertain these ambitions for commercial reasons—either to possess markets from which they cannot be excluded or to develop such markets for themselves and be able to exclude others from them when they so determine.

The desire for commercial privilege and for freedom from commercial restraint is the primary cause of war.

At the close of this war must not the civilised world agree on the freedom and protection of sea trade and a world guaranteed peace on the sea—except as warships may fight or ports be closed by effective blockades?

Such a policy would meet every legitimate aim of Germany and Great Britain. Its working would accelerate the development of every port for the impartial benefit of all who would need to use it; and thus serve the interests of Russia, Austria, Belgium, and the Balkans.

Panama, Suez, Gibraltar, the Dardanelles, Kiel, the Sault, the Belt, the English Channel, and less important straits might well be considered as the world's international highways through which commercial passage shall always be maintained on equal terms for all ships.

Rotterdam and Antwerp are the North Sea ports which naturally serve the trade of central Europe, including that of eastern Central Europe, including that of Eastern France, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and Russia, and their neutral service, or at least that of the best equipped free port districts within them, as well as that of bonded railroads between them and interior countries, should be extended and guaranteed. The

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club against Kowloon on the latter's ground on Saturday 27th March. T. E. Pearce, (Captain), A. L. Gace, O. A. Hooper, P. Jones, R. Kennedy, M. M. Maas, E. J. R. Mitchell, S. S. Morda, H. E. Muriel, H. H. Taylor, R. L. D. Wodehouse.

SPECIAL POLICE RESERVES ORDERS.

Parades this week are as follows:—

To-day—1st Portuguese Company—5.30 p.m.

Friday, March 26th.—1st British Company with arms—5.30 p.m.

Saturday, March 27th.—No. 1 Platoon, 1st Chinese Company; Musketry Practice under Inspector Potter, Peak Range, 3.00 p.m.

Remainder of 1st Chinese Company will parade at Central station at 3 p.m. under Sgt. Mason.

Through Dutch Sources.

Dutch papers report the result of the British victory and say that Germans are concentrating troops in the direction of Ypres and La Bassée and have mounted forty-two centimetre guns near Middelkerke, wherewith they are bombarding the sluices of Palinbrugge at the entrance to Nieuport.

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W. S. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1915.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Dividend of \$7.00 and Bonus of \$2.00 per share declared at the Forty-sixth Meeting of Shareholders held this day will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after Friday the 26th March, 1915.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. PEMBERTON, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1915.

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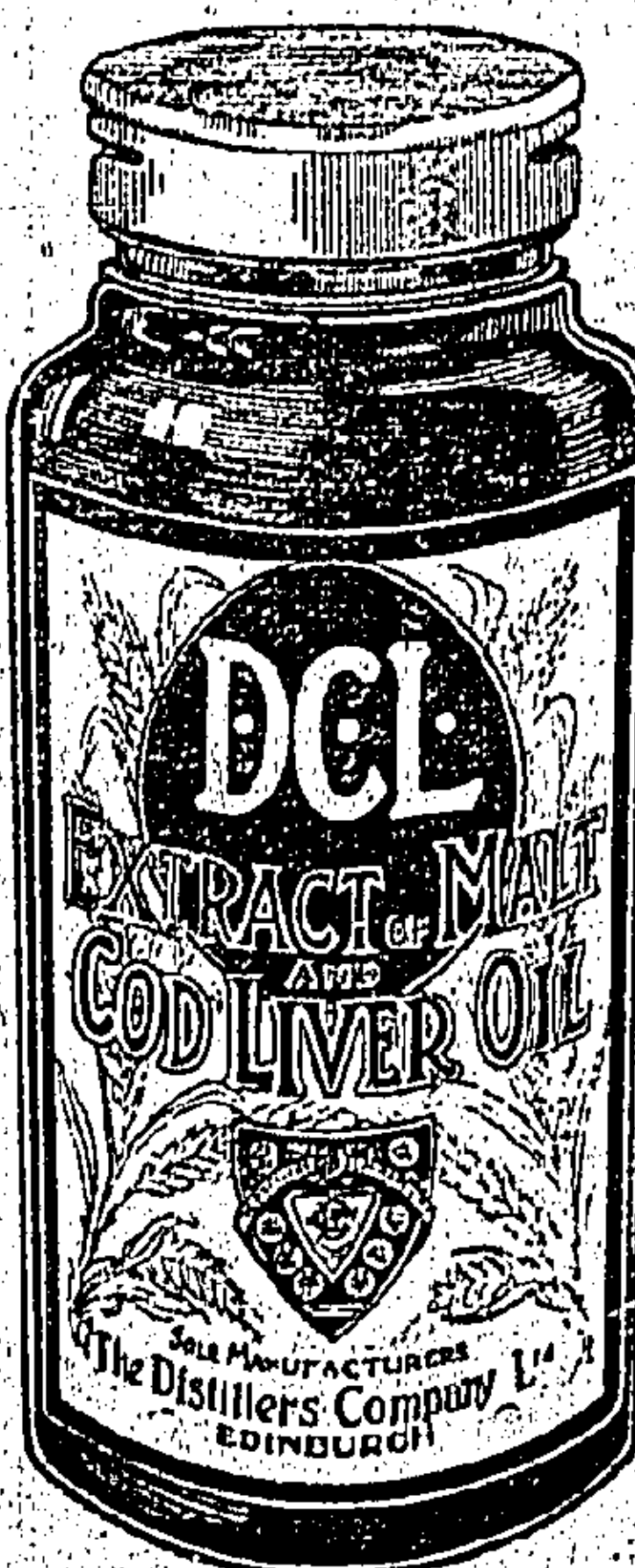
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Kitano "	16,000 "	" 20th May
Fushima "	25,000 "	" 3rd June

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SHANGHAI	Yingchow	27th Mar. at 4 p.m.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN	Huichow	27th Mar. at noon.
SHANGHAI	Shaoching	28th Mar. at 4 p.m.
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Tjikembang	JAVA	1st half Apr.	JAPAN	2nd half Apr.
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Haimun	A. H. Stewart	TUES. 30th Mar. at 1 p.m.
Haiching	W. C. Passmore	FRI. 2nd Apr. at 1 p.m.

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LOG BOOK

China Coast Gazette.
Mr. D. Maitland, supernumerary, Liangchow, has gone chief engineer, Chili.

Mr. R. Allen, chief engineer, Chili, is on reserve.

Mr. O. A. Christiansen, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Fengtien.

Mr. R. A. Watt, chief officer, Fengtien, has gone acting master, Kiukiang.

Captain E. B. Jones, of the Kiukiang, is on leave.

Mr. J. O. Edmunds, third engineer, Kiangyung, has gone third engineer, Kwalee.

Mr. C. Amour, third engineer, Kwalee, has gone third engineer, Kiangyung.

Mr. Linton has been appointed third engineer, Yushun.

Mr. J. Forsyth, third engineer, Yushun, has gone second engineer, Tungwah.

Mr. A. Donald has gone chief engineer, Kiangyung.

Mr. W. Timball, from leave, has gone chief engineer, Feiching.

Mr. G. Blackstock, has gone chief engineer, Hsinohang.

Mr. P. H. Vanneter has been appointed third officer, Kianghsia.

Mr. R. E. Scott, second engineer, Hsinchi, has gone second engineer, Kiangyung.

Mr. J. Malcolm, second engineer, Kiangyung, has gone second engineer, Hsinchi.

Mr. S. Smith, second officer, Kwangshai, has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. G. Ingram has been appointed second officer, Hsinchi.

Captain Stewart, of the Kwangshai, is on leave.

Mr. J. H. Davis, chief officer, Kwangshai, has gone acting master, same ship.

Mr. H. D. Bentley has gone acting third engineer, Kiangwan.

Mr. W. H. Crisp, supernumerary, Wingang, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. P. A. Blacklock, second officer, Wingang, has resigned.

Mr. R. O. Thompson, second officer, Koonching, has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. T. Brown has been appointed second officer, Koonching.

Mr. A. S. Woodget, from leave, has gone chief officer, Luenho.

Mr. N. R. Bennett, chief officer, Luenho, has gone chief officer, Kiangwo.

Mr. O. Campbell, chief officer, Kiangwo, has gone chief officer, Tungwo.

Mr. H. T. S. Pellet, chief officer, Tungwo, has gone chief officer, Changwo.

Mr. J. Petrie, chief officer, Changwo, is on leave.—Shipping and Engineering.

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The Rangoon Government has issued the following announcement.—The Governor-General in Council has granted a special licence to Messrs. W. and A. Graham, of Bombay, for the purpose of winding up the business of their agency of the Deutsche Dampfschiff fahrts Gesellschaft Hansa (Hansa line of steamships).

German Steamers for Charter.

The following appears in a home paper to hand by the mail:—The Overseas Prize Disposal Committee are prepared to consider offers to charter the detained German ships Rajaburi at Hongkong; Quarts, at Singapore; and Diana, at Lagos. The ships would be chartered for a period not exceeding six months or until the signature of the Treaty of Peace, the charterers providing crew, coal, provisions, insurance, and all expenses of running the steamers, which would have to be delivered at the conclusion of the charter at the ports at which they are now lying in good condition, fair wear and tear excepted. Offers should be sent to the secretary, Overseas Prize Disposal Committee, Colonial Office, S.W., by noon on February 18.

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S'PORE, Pang & Calcutta	Kutsang	Thur., 1st Apr. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Choyssang	Fri., 2nd Apr. at d'light
MANILA	Yuensang	Sat., 3rd Apr. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Oonsang	Wed., 7th Apr. at d'light

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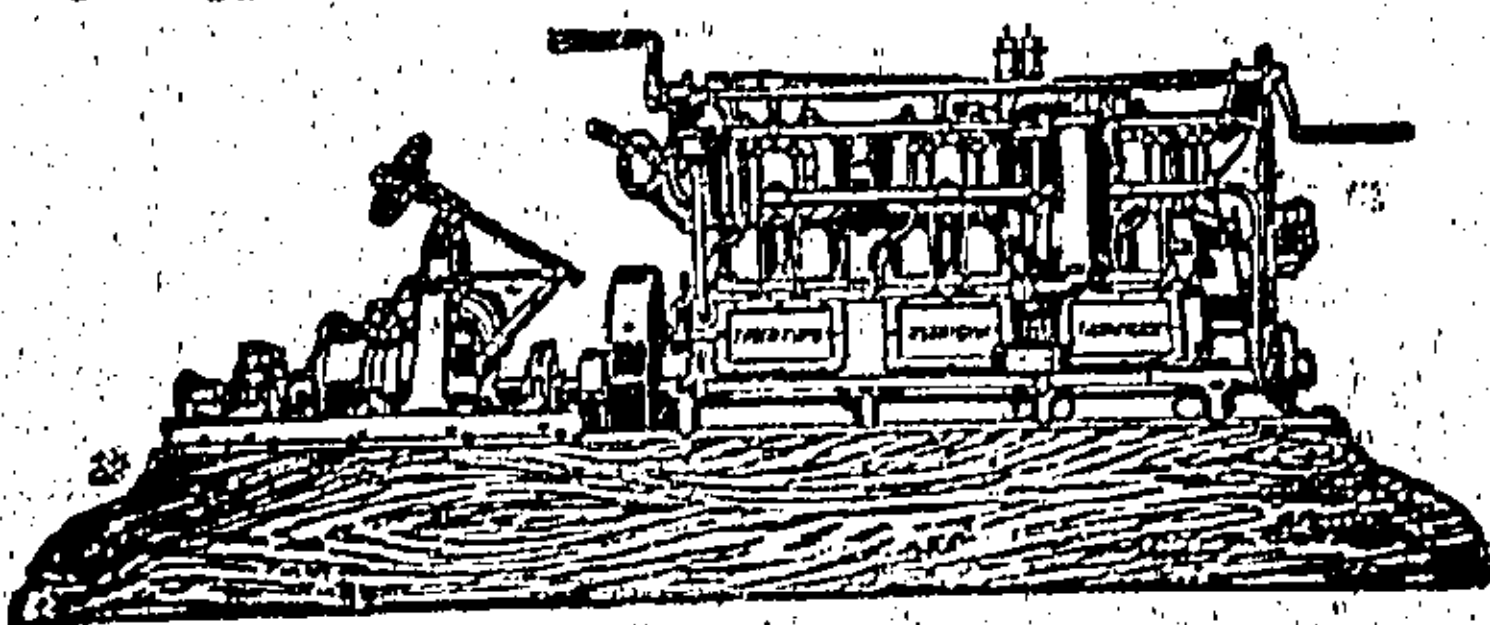
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Marseilles via Ports	Polynesien	M. M.	3, Apr.
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New York via Ports Suez Canal	Lennex	D. & Co.	27, Mar.
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	China	P. M. Co.	30, Mar.
Via, B.O., T'ma via M'la & Japan	Canada M.	O. S. K.	30, Mar.
San F'co via S'hai & Japan &c.	Manchuria	P. M. Co.	6, Apr.
V'oria, B.O., & S'le via S'hai &c.	Tamba M.	T. K. K.	6, Apr.
San F'co via M'la & Japan &c.	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	27, Apr.
Vancouver, etc.	Monteagle	O. P. R.	1, May
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	Mongolia	P. M. Co.	4, May
Mexican, Peruvian and Chile			
Ports via Japan	Seiyo M.	T. K. K.	11, May
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	Siberia	P. M. Co.	18, May

AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	16, Apr.
Australian Ports	Empire	G. L. Co.	20, Apr.

SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.

Shanghai	Oriental	P. & O.	26, Mar.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Hitachi M.	N. Y. K.	16, Apr.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	28, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	E. Simons	M. M.	29, Mar.
S'hai, Vladivostok, Kobe & Moji	Sangola	D. S. Co.	30, Mar.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Chinhua	B. & S.	30, Mar.
Manila	Yuensang	N. Y. K.	3, Apr.
Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Jinsen M.	J. M. Co.	8, Apr.
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Shanghai	Tjitarom	J.O.J. L.	Q. deep.
Shanghai	Tjikembang	J.O.J. L.	Q. deep.
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Hongkong, 13th March, 1915

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The P.M. s.s. MANOHURI sailed from Yokohama on Friday, March 19, via Manila for Hongkong. The mails have been transferred to the s.s. TAMBA M. of the N.Y.K. Line, which is scheduled to arrive at Hongkong on the 28th inst.

The P. M. s.s. CHINA will be despatched from this port on Tuesday, Mar. 30, at noon, for San Francisco via Manila, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

The T. K. K. s.s. TENYO-MARU will next leave for San Francisco, via usual ports, on Tuesday, 13th April, at noon. The T.K.K. s.s. SHINYO-MARU will next leave Hongkong for San Francisco, via usual ports, on Tuesday 11th May, at noon.

ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. s.s. ORIENTAL left Singapore for this port on the 21st instant, morning, with the outward English Mails, and is due here on the 23rd instant, afternoon.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The Australian Oriental Line s.s. CHANGHAI left Port Darwin on the 1st inst. for this port via Philippine Ports and may be expected to arrive on or about 28th March.

The E. & A. s.s. EMPIRE from Sydney etc., left Manila for this port on 23rd inst. p.m. and may be expected to arrive here on or about 25th inst. at daylight.

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The Barber Line s.s. BOLTON CASTLE for Hongkong via Panama Canal left New York on the 24th January and is therefore due to arrive here about the beginning of April.

The s.s. SANGOLA from Calcutta, and the Straits left Saigon on the 24th instant, at noon, and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The s.s. UMARUA from Calcutta left Singapore on the 19th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 25th inst.

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Ichong, Br. s.s. 1,221, Pika, 18th inst.—Amoy, General—B. & S.
Linn, Br. s.s. 1,356, Pottinger, 18th inst.—Canton, Gen.—B. & S.
Ixion, Br. s.s. 6,327, G. L. Stout, 18th inst.—Manila, 15th inst, Gen.—B. & S.
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S. Rickmers, Dut. s.s. Schuurman, 24th inst.—Canton, Gen.—Chinese.
Taiwan Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,145, H. Sakai, 24th inst.—Hongbeh Bay, 21st inst, Salt—Chinese.
Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s. 846, T. Kishigo, 24th inst.—Swatow, 23rd inst, Gen.—O.S.K.

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after the Goods have left the

Godowns, and all Goods remain-

ing undelivered after the 26th

inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer

must be presented to the Under-

signed on or before the 9th prox.

or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and dam-

aged Goods are to be left in the

Godowns, where they will be ex-

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a.m.

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tersignature and take immediate

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Cargo remaining on board

Thursday, March 25th, 1915 at

noon will be subject to landing

charges, and if undelivered

Monday, March 29th, 1915 at 5

p.m. will be subject to both land-

ing and storage charges.

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will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise dam-

aged cargo will be examined at

the above Company's godown

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1915.

THE STEPS FATALITY.

Further Evidence of the Fall.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, Mr. Hazeland continued the inquest, which began yesterday on a hawker, who was killed by falling on his head.

Mr. Bowley of Messrs. Denny and Rowley, appeared for the widow of deceased.

Police Constable Swan at his worship's request, produced the notebook in which he made a report of the occurrence. Police Constable Reynolds said he was with Police Constable Swan on the night in question. Witness tried to intercept the people but could not. He then ran in a westerly direction to the foot of the steps which ran from Station Road to Hollywood Road. He saw the deceased fall and he found him bleeding from the head and in an unconscious condition. Swan came down the steps shortly afterwards.

By Mr. Bowley:—He joined the Police Force, two years ago. He made a written report on the occurrence. When Swan reached the lane witness was walking with Swan.

Mr. Bowley:—The man got across the road first, your Worship but unfortunately he got there on his head.

Witness:—He got there before me but coming down the steps would effect it.

Mr. Bowley:—Why did he fall down the steps?

Witness:—He thought that was the quickest way down perhaps (laughter).

Witness said he got to the man just before Swan. He made the statement out at noon on the 10th.

Mr. Bowley. After the woman had made a complaint against Swan?

Witness: I did not know there was any complaint made against Swan. The Inspector told him the man had died and to make out a report.

Your did all in your power to relieve the man I suppose?—There was not much hope of relieving him as he was unconscious.

Witness said he doubted if the woman knew it was her husband until she saw him on the ground. She came on the scene after witness got there. She came along with another woman in a crowd of people. She did not commence to scream and cry out until she had seen the man.

The Sergeant interpreter at the Central Police station said the widow reported that she did not see the accident. She said she was in her own house when the accident happened. She said her husband left the house at midnight on that day.

By Mr. Bowley. She was asked by the Sergeant on duty how the accident happened. Witness put the questions the Sergeant told him to put. Witness did not write down anything at the time. He could not remember if the Sergeant wrote down what witness told him. The woman was by herself. The statement produced was not in his handwriting. He wrote a draft copy of what happened two days after the affair happened. He did not write anything down the night the man was brought in.

Have you a good memory?—Yes.

His Worship:—Every Chinaman has a good memory. I have never met one who had not. (laughter).

Mr. Bowley pointed out that the deceased either fell down the steps accidentally or because he was struck. He was running away from the constable and he would not have done so if he had not been in terror. It had been held, he contended that any well grounded apprehension of personal violence by a person left that person answerable for the consequences.

Mr. Hazeland said the constable carried out his duty.

THE NEW ASSESSMENTS.

Large Number of Appeals Lodged.

To-day is the last day for sending in appeals against the assessments and we learn that over one hundred and fifty appeals have been lodged from all classes of the community in many instances dealing with quite a large number of properties. The number of appeals constitutes something in the nature of a record. They will be heard by one of the judges in the Supreme Court.

HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

The following will represent the H.K.V.C. against H.M. Dockyard Rifle Club in a league match at 3 p.m. on Saturday, 27th inst. at Tai Hang Range:—Captain Wood, Sgt. Major Duncan, Sgt. Bradbury, Cpl. Manuk, Bombardier Green and Martin and Gunners Green and Labrum. Reserves, Sgt. Sutherland and Bombardier Iker. Any member of the team unable to be present is requested to notify Sgt. Bradbury not later than to-morrow, 26th inst.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

The following:—Corps Orders by Lieut. Col. A. Chapman were issued to-day.

Joined. The undermentioned having joined the Corps are allotted Corps numbers and posted as follows:—No 1782 pts. F. N. Silva to Right Section M. G. Co. No. 1783 Pte. G. A. Carvalho to Right Section M. G. Co. No. 1784 Pte. A. Remedios to Right Section M. G. Co. No. 1785 Pte. L. M. France to Right Section M. G. Co. No. 1786 Pte. D. M. Ross to Scouts Company. No 1787 Pte. N. P. Thomson to Scouts Company.

Parades:—Parades for Friday, 26th inst. Units on duty as Headquarters and Mount Austin Barracks, under Officers on duty. 6.15 p.m. Left Section M. G. Co.—10 p.m. Specialist instruction at Headquarters. Sgt. McQuinn will attend. One Machine Gun Section of Scouts Co.—M. G. Drill at Headquarters. Remainder, Nil.

Detail:—Officers on duty, Capt. Wood, Lieut. Kennett and Lieut. Danby. Orderly Officer, Lieut. Kennett. Orderly Sergeant, Cpl. Bolton. Medical Orderly, Pte. Thomson. To furnish Guard:—At Volunteer Headquarters. 7 p.m. to-day to 7 a.m. to-morrow, Civil Service Company. 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. to-morrow, Centre Section M. G. Co. 7 p.m. to-morrow to 7 a.m. 27th inst. Right Section M. G. Co. At Mount Austin Barracks, 10.15 p.m. to-day to 7 a.m. to-morrow, 10.15 p.m. to-morrow to 7 a.m. 27th inst. No. 2 Section Artillery Bty.

Phoenix Club annual Meeting. The eighth annual meeting of the Phoenix Club, will take place at six o'clock to-morrow evening. Fined \$250.

Before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, Sgt. Jackson charged Pang Ray the master of the steam launch Kung Hong, with unlawfully carrying 152 passengers, more than the number allowed by his licence, within the waters of the Colony on the 19th inst. Defendant was fined \$250.

Acting Inspector Brazil respectfully submitted the constable acted in accordance with departmental orders, which stated that a man might be chased at any time if seen running.

His Worship said there was nothing in Mr. Bowley's point. The Jury said they were not satisfied that Swan had struck the deceased and returned a verdict of death from fracture of the skull.

GERMANY'S ONLY WAY.

Admiral Behncke's Remarkable Admission.

New York, Feb. 17. A wireless telegram from Berlin to the Associated Press reproduces a statement made by Admiral Behncke, of the Marine Department, to the American Naval Attache, Commander Gherardi, in which the following remarkable admission regarding the sea war zone occurs:—

Since the shutting off of food supplies has come to a point when Germany no longer has sufficient food to feed her people, it has become necessary for Germany to bring England to terms by the exercise of force. . . . Germany does not wish to interfere with American or other neutral ships or cargoes. However, she is in a position where her life depends on her putting into effect the only means she has of saving herself. She must and will use this means.—Reuter.

[The threat that Germany now intends to use force would seem to imply that for the first six months of the war Germany has been trying to kill us by kindness.]

FAMOUS CHINA COLLECTION SOLD.

Contains More Than 1,000 Rare Pieces.

New York, Feb. 8. So far as it is possible for him to do so at this juncture Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan has sold the famous Morgan collection of china porcelains to the Daveneys for approximately \$4,000,000.

Until the collection is appraised and the State inheritance tax paid it is technically impossible for Mr. Morgan to sell the collection. However, the collection has been closed to the public at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in order to facilitate the appraisers' work, and the transaction is expected to be completed in a short time.

In the final bidding for the collection it is understood that only Davenport Brothers and the porcelain house of Edgar Gore closed to part, others dropping out on account of the highness of the figures insisted upon by Mr. Morgan.

Davenport Brothers are said to be alone in the transaction, without any share by art collectors, although the firm is declared in art circles to have made agreements with collectors for the sale of certain of the porcelains.

Although there are considerably more than a thousand pieces of Chinese porcelain in the Morgan collection, there are from 40 to 50 pieces of extreme beauty and rarity. The collection includes what is perhaps the most famous piece of Chinese porcelain in the world—the great red and black 'Kang-hsi' hawthorn vase, in which the prunus flowers appear as red. This piece is valued at \$125,000. The decoration is of great brilliancy and distinction, the black enamel being superposed on a green ground which is reserved in various parts of the design, as in the rocks, leafage and branches. It is 28½ inches high.

Other pieces of great value are a large pair of 'Kang-hsi' figures, valued at \$100,000; a large 'Kang-hsi' figure seated, \$80,000; a black teapot with blue flowers, \$50,000; a pair of quadrangular season vases with handles, of the early 'Kang-hsi' period, \$75,000, and a famille rose ruby garniture of the 'Yang-Ching' period, \$50,000.

Political Situation Affects Shanghai Market.

We have been informed that the political situation in northern China has had an effect on share business in Shanghai, the market being on the easy side. Information to this effect reached the Colony by cable to-day.

HOME SPORT.

Interesting Turf and Boxing Chatter.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) London, Feb. 19.

A question asked in the House of Commons this week (our racing correspondent "Centaur" writes) seems to throw a suggestion of doubt on the holding of the two customary race-meetings at Epsom. At the first of these meetings, called the Spring Meeting, which is limited to two days, the City and Suburban Handicap is decided; at the second fixture, known as the Summer Meeting, the Derby and Oaks are decided during the four days. The latter, therefore, is quite the outstanding event in the racing year. The enquiry of the Under-Secretary for War arose out of the notice which has been given by the Grand Stand Association to re-take possession of the stands. During the last five or six months they have been in use as a hospital, and as all who know the breezy heights of the Downs will allow, they have fulfilled their purpose in quite an ideal way. However, they were given up to the military authorities on condition that they could become available again for the two race-meetings, and the notice, therefore, was quite a formal incident.

However, the Under-Secretary's questioner seemed to be under the impression that the site was too good, a place to give up, and furthermore, that the removal of wounded would be prejudicial to their condition. The official reply was in the nature of a reminder that a bargain had been struck and that adhering to it would not seriously inconvenience the authorities. It may be assumed, then, that the race-meetings will be brought off, though it is evident that in the circumstances there is a feeling opposed to them. In any case, the removal of the hospital would not be for long as the Summer meeting is over in the first week of June, and that is a time, we are told, when the hospital accommodation of this country is likely to be severely tried. Part of the Ascot stands are now in use as a hospital, and the same question may crop up in this case, though an authoritative statement was made the other day that preparations are proceeding as usual for the one and only meeting of the year next June.

National Hunt Sport. Hurst Park, situated along the banks of the Thames near Hampton Court and between Sandown Park and Kempton Park, is one of the most interesting racecourses in the country for National Hunt sport. The January meeting could not be held on account of floods spreading across one end of the course from the river, and the meeting of last Friday and Saturday was brought off just in time, as a 'day' or two later the floods had re-appeared and racing would not have been possible this week. The many people interested had much to be grateful for in that they were enabled to see a pretty race between two prominent horses engaged in the Grand National. They were Irish Mail and Balcadden, and they met at level weights in the Thames Steeplechase of three miles. In the "National," Irish Mail has to concede the other one lb. Less than two years ago the horse was brought for a large sum, not less than \$2,000, by the late Sir Charles Ashurst-Smith; after it had finished second in the Grand National to his own horse, Overcoat, Irish Mail could not carry his colours last year in consequence of contracting lameness while being prepared for the race, and indeed, it never afterwards carried his new owner's colours in the short time that the well-known baronet survived. When he died, the horse passed into the possession of

Mr. Eric Platt, who is well known as a sportsman in Cheshire.

Balcadden's Career.

Balcadden has a much more interesting career, and may be regarded as the most versatile racehorse in the world. He belongs to Mr. C. Bower Iremay, whose Craganour was so cruelly disqualified after coming in first for the Derby. He came into special prominence when he very easily won the Prince Edward Handicap at Manchester, and among other successes he has a Newbury Cup to his credit. He has won high-class hurdle races and steeplechases in England and France. It was at Auteuil last June that he put up a sparkling performance by winning the Prix des Drags. In November last he won the Liverpool Hurdle race, giving between 30lb. and 40lb. to Politian, who ranks as quite the best young hurdler of the present season. Then we find him entered for the Grand National and weighted at 11-8. This is a fairly considerable weight for a horse which has never been over a fence at Aintree, and, of course, it has to be taken on trust that he is capable of jumping that severe country. In this race at Hurst Park he did not jump as fast and impressively as Irish Mail, and this disability left him with a lot to do at the close to make up the leeway on the more seasoned steeplechaser. The result was that he just failed by a head to get up and win, though he would have won right enough with a few more strides to go. There exists a good deal of prejudice against him because it is alleged that he is not of the Liverpool type of "chaser," and that, therefore, he will never jump the country or get the long distance of four and a half miles. This prejudice is reflected in the fact that though he meets Irish Mail on 4 lb. better terms the latter has, nevertheless, come to a comparatively short price while Balcadden does not seem to command any following. At the same time, Balcadden may be capable of anything. He has never fallen in his life and therefore, why should it be such a certainty apparently for him to fall at Liverpool? He is quite brilliant in his versatility, absolutely honest, and extraordinarily clever. There must be great possibilities about such an animal.

An Interesting Incident.

With reference to other racing at Hurst Park, it is, perhaps, only necessary to mention one other incident. A Maiden Hurdle race was won by Blue Danube, from Mr. Percy Whitaker's stable, who beat an odds-on favourite in Mr. Heybourne's recent winner, Desmond's Song. This was a strange reversal of running at Sandown Park, where the pair had met at precisely the same weights, and so strong was public comment that Mr. Whitaker asked the Steward to investigate the running. The trainer's explanation was that Hulme, who rode the horse at Sandown Park, said that the horse could neither jump nor go fast. The former could not believe this, and, therefore, asked Parliament to ride at the same time he thought that it had no possible chance of beating Desmond's Song, and he laid the odds on the latter. The Stewards were quite satisfied with the explanation, but the point is that the initiative in making an inquiry and not have left it to the trainer to suggest an investigation. It was obviously a case for inquiry by those who make themselves responsible for the government of racing.

Boxing.

The successful boxer earns more money than any other professional sportsman, even when it is almost a certainty that he will win. Ex-Bombardier Wells, the Bristol heavy-weight Champion, went to Plymouth last week-end to engage in a match which was "money for nothing," as they say in boxing. His op-

BOMBED, THEN TOWED.

New Story of the U-6 and a French Steamer.

Paris, February 19.—The boat-again of the Ville de Lille gives new details of the torpedoing of his vessel on the 16th. "We were eight miles north of Barleur," he says, when we perceived a submarine a mile away. The captain altered the course of the vessel in order to prevent her stern to the submarine, without knowing at the time whether she was a friend or foe, though we hardly expected to meet a German. The submarine gained on us and, rapidly manoeuvring, cut us off. The submarine had now risen to the surface. We were able to discern the international code signal displayed at the extremity of a pole, which the captain interpreted as the signal, "Stop, or I fire." Any doubts regarding the nationality of the submarine were quickly set at rest by a sailor who appeared in the stern of the craft waving the German colours.

"The captain ordered the Ville de Lille to stop. When the submarine was within hail her commander shouted, 'I give you ten minutes to leave the ship. This was done immediately. When the boats had got a short distance away, the submarine came alongside the ship and boarded her without difficulty, the sea being calm.

"Only two men went on board, carrying bombs, which they placed in the captain's cabin and the fore part of the vessel. Ten minutes later there were two explosions.

"During this time I had ample leisure to examine the submarine U-16, which I recognised as being of a modern and powerful type.

"Meanwhile, the submarine did not lose time. She boarded a Dutch boat from Oberbourg and rapidly examined her papers, which were apparently satisfactory, for she allowed her to proceed on her course.

"Then the submarine returned to us, and, seeing our desperate efforts to reach the coast, took us in tow in the direction of Barleur.

"The capture and blowing up of the Ville de Lille had not escaped the notice of the Barleur signal station, which immediately telegraphed to the Marine Prefecture. The commander of the submarine continued nevertheless to tow us with disconcerting calmness.

"Not till he saw the smoke of approaching torpedo boats did he leisurely cast off the tow rope and dive below the surface.

ponent, D. McGoldrick, of Glasgow, was almost an unknown and yet I believe I am right in saying that Wells was guaranteed over £200, win, lose or draw. It was a safe speculation for the promoters of the contest, for Wells has an extraordinary personality and at the present time there are quartered in Plymouth large numbers of Scottish soldiers who could be relied on to support their fellow-countryman. As a matter of fact, there were between four thousand and five thousand people present to see a contest that was ridiculous on the face of it. Wells, it is true, has been responsible for some strange lapses in the past, but it was not possible to think that he would fail against McGoldrick, though it was his first appearance in the ring since his victory over Colin Bell, the Australian, last June. The Scotsman, in fact, was outclassed from the first round and he received so much punishment that he was forced to retire at the end of the seventh round. On reflection, after the contest, McGoldrick quite frankly said that Wells was much too good for him. "I had been told he had so

CONTEMPORARY OPINION.

THE FIGHTING TEMPER.

The following leading article is from the *Pall Mall Gazette* of February 10:—

Mr. Harcourt's message to the Canadian Parliament and the speeches of Sir Robert Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier all ring with the confidence of victory and the determination to spare no effort to win a peace which shall relieve the world for ever of the Prussian nightmare. While Canada has ninety thousand men in training, and the great armies of France, Russia, and Britain are daily growing in numbers and being perfected in training and equipment, the Colonial Secretary estimates that the German Empire alone has lost two million and a quarter of its best soldiers, whose places can only be filled by men of less serviceable age and less adequate training. What Canada is doing, Australia and New Zealand are doing also, and South Africa, according to the measure of her circumstances. "The world is witness of a general uprising of the free peoples, unprepared for war because they believed in truth and fair dealing, against the gloomy tyranny of force and falsehood which stood prepared to do violence to the rights of nations.

In Russia the Duma has been opened amid scenes of unmatchable enthusiasm. The President, the Prime Minister, and M. Sazonoff all gave voice to the determination of the Russian people to pursue the struggle to the end, and emphasised the close union of the Allies. Each word was endorsed by the acclaim of the representatives of the mighty Russian people. The youngest Parliament in the world expressed the conscience and will of the whole nation by which it is freely elected. Russia is fighting her first fight as a free country, and fighting it with fairer hopes than ever she cherished under autocracy. In common with France and the British Empire she is proving that a free nation's will and conscience, once aroused in a righteous cause, are the strongest force in the world.

Against these demonstrations of strength may be set the omens and auguries of the Prussian Diet. That body represents no more than a fraction of the Prussian people, and, chiefly, the ruling classes who made the war. Yet the voice of dissension is loud within it. The Socialist Leader declared that his party would no longer support the policy of the Government, and repeated the insistent demand for a wider franchise. He gave utterance to the added voice of a people, hitherto deceived, from whose eyes the scales are beginning to fall. Even the President was constrained to confess that Germany "is still a long way from having secured her aims." Comparing the proceedings in the three assemblies we have named, the conclusion is irresistible that moral strength and confidence are definitely on the side of the free peoples.

many soft places that I was quite certain I should find one of them out, but he did not give me time to do so and—well, he is the cleverest boxer I have seen." Wells has arranged two other contests, and in each he will have a much harder task. On February 24th in Belfast he meets Bandman Rice and on March 29th, at a place yet to be fixed, Frank Moran, the Pittsburgh heavy-weight, who stood up to Jack Johnson for twenty rounds. By the way, Mr. Eugene Corri of the National Sporting Club has been invited to go to Mexico to referee Johnson's contest with Jess Willard, the American cowboy boxer, but he has declined.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **FRIDAY, the 26th March, 1915,** commencing at 5 p.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, a Collection of Valuable Postage Stamps, comprising—
Great Britain and Colonies. On view from Saturday, the 20th inst. Catalogues will be issued. Terms—Cash on delivery.
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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **MONDAY, the 29th March, 1915,** commencing at 2.30 p.m. at No. 9 Queen's Gardens, Peak Road, (for account of the concerned) a Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture, comprising—

Plush and Tapestry covered Drawing Room suites, Leather covered Armchairs, Overmantels with Bevelled Mirrors, Teak Card Tables and Teak Bookcases, Writing Tables, Brass Fenders, Marble Clock, Oil Paintings and Engravings, Japanese Water Colours, Lace and Tapestry Curtains, Carpets, Rugs, etc., etc. Teak Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Teak Sideboard and Dinner Waggon, Dinner and Dessert Services, Cutlery and Cut Glass, etc., etc.

Double Beds and Twin Bedsteads, Teak Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, Marble Top Toilet Tables and Washstands, Easy Chairs, Toilet Crockery, Enamelled and Shanghai Bath Tubs.

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- 2.—British Forces preparing the defence and how they suddenly rushed from their trenches to repel the threatened attack.
- 3.—The landing of British Marines at Antwerp.
- 4.—The Camp and the sudden call to the defences.
- 5.—The Marines defending. Scenes in the trenches. This part of the film is the most wonderful production ever known in cinematography. German shells exploding and heroes falling. The Red Cross workers are seen removing the heroes who are wounded and are sacrificing their lives.
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- 3.—The Moslem War Dance.—The populace becomes inspired by the frenzied spirit of war, numbers of them continuing eccentric movements until forced to drop from exhaustion.
- 4.—Offering Sacrifices.—A sacrifice is offered for the success of their arms in battle.
- 5.—Exhorting the Populace.—A native speaker raises the wildest passions of the ignorant hordes.
- 6.—A Quaint Recruiting Agent.—A Bedouin maiden in the wild sword dance given after sundown to enlist recruits near the Dead Sea and Sinai Peninsula.
- 7.—Fanaticism Starts its Deadly Work.—The Moslems and Bedouins attack Russian Pilgrims in Syria, many being killed and injured.
- 8.—To close up the Suez Canal.—Camels carrying sand, stones, etc. by means of which the Turks and Bedouins expect to close a portion of the Suez Canal and prevent the Allies sending troops through.
- 9.—Turkish Boy Scouts and Naval Lads.—These are paraded in most of the streets to arouse martial spirit.
- 10.—Turkish and Bedouin Cavalry at Exercise.
- 11.—Turkish Troops About to Proceed to Egypt.
- 12.—What will happen when they meet the Gurkhas?

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BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef Sirloin—Mei Lung Pa	lb.	19
Prime Cut—	21
Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk...	19
Roast,—Shiu	..	..	..	..	17
Breast,—Ngau Lam	..	..	..	..	19
Soup,—Tong Yuk	..	..	..	..	15
Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	..	..	..	..	20
do.,—Sirloin—Ngau Lau.	..	..	..	..	30
Sausages,—Ngau Cheung	24
Bullock's Brains—	No	per set	10
Tongue, fresh,—Ngau Li...	each	50
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..	50
Head,—Ngau Tau	\$1.00
Heart,—Ngau Sum	lb. 14
Hump, Salt,—Ngau Kin	20
Feet,—Ngau Keuk	each 11
Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	..	..	..	..	11
Tail,—Ngau Mei...	..	..	..	..	18
Liver,—Ngau Kon	..	..	..	..	lb. 13
Tripe (undressed),—Ngau To	..	..	..	..	6
Calves' Head & Feet,—Ngau-tsai-tau-keuk	..	..	..	set	\$1.00
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Poi Kwat	..	..	..	..	lb. 25
Leg,—Yeung Poi	..	..	..	..	25
Shoulder,—Yeung Shau	..	..	..	..	24
Saddle...	..	..	..	..	27
Pigs Chittlings,—Chu Chong	..	..	..	..	27
Brains,—Chu No	..	..	..	per set	24
Feet,—Chu Keuk	..	..	..	..	lb. 13
Fry,—Chu Chap	..	..	..	..	15
Head,—Chu Tau...	..	..	..	..	16
Heart,—Chu Sam...	..	..	..	..	each 11
Kidney,—Chu Yiu...	..	..	..	..	18
Liver,—Chu Kon	..	..	..	..	lb. 28
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	..	..	..	..	24
Corned,—Ham—Chu Yuk	..	..	..	..	—
Leg,—Chu Poi	..	..	..	..	28
Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	..	..	..	..	20
Sheep's Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau Keuk...	..	..	..	set	60
Heart,—Yeung Sam	..	..	..	..	each 8
Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	..	..	..	..	12
Liver,—Yeung Kon	..	..	..	..	lb. 28
Smoking Pigs to order—Chu Tsai	..	..	..	..	22
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngau Yau	..	..	..	..	20
Mutton,—Shang Yeung Yau	..	..	..	..	26
Veal,—Ngau Tsai Yuk	..	..	..	..	19
Sausages,—Ngau Tsai Cheung	..	..	..	..	20
Lard,—Chu Yau	..	..	..	..	20

POULTRY.

Poultry	Unit	Price
Chicken—Kai Tsai	lb.	35
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai	lb.	34
Ducks—Ap	lb.	32
Doves—Pan Kau	lb.	18
Eggs—Hen—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	20
(fresh)	lb.	38
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb.	42
Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	lb.	30
Geese—Ngo	lb.	24
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each	28
Hoihow—Hoi How Pak Kap	lb.	25
Snipe—Sha Tsui	each	22
Turkeys, Cook—Fo Kai Kang	lb.	60
Hen	lb.	45
Pheasant—Shan Kai	lb.	75
Quail—Om Chun	lb.	25
Partridges—Ohe Ku	lb.	65

FISH.

Fish	Unit	Price
Barbel—Ka Yu	lb.	16
Bream—Pin Yu	lb.	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	lb.	15
Carp—Li Yu	lb.	20
Codfish—Ohik Yu	lb.	12
Codfish—Mun Yu	lb.	14
Crabs—Hoi	lb.	28
Cuttle Fish—Mak Yu	lb.	18
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	lb.	12
Dace—Wong Mei Lap	lb.	13
Dog Fish—Tit To Sha	lb.	10
Eels, Conger—Hoi Man	lb.	13
Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu	lb.	32
Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin	lb.	30
Frogs—Tin Kai	lb.	43
Garoupa—Shek Pan	lb.	30
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	lb.	20
Herrings—Tao Pak	lb.	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	lb.	20
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	lb.	28
Loach—Wu Yu	lb.	28
Lobsters—Lung Ha	lb.	20
Macarel—Chi Yu	lb.	32
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	lb.	32
Mclet—Ohai Yu	lb.	16
Oysters—Shang Ho	lb.	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	lb.	12
Perch—Tau Lo	lb.	18
Pike—Fa Pau Fong	lb.	15
Plaice—Pan Yu	lb.	15
Pomfret, Black—Hak Ohong	lb.	28
Pomfret, White—Pak Ohong	lb.	28
Prawns—Ming Ha	lb.	10
Ray—Fai Pa Sha	lb.	15
Rock Fish—Shek Kiu Kung	lb.	12
Rosoch—Ohun Yu	lb.	12
Salmon—Ma Yu	lb.	30
Shark—Sha Yu	lb.	7
Skate—Po Yu	lb.	8
Shrimps—Ha	lb.	25
Snapper—Lap Yu	lb.	25
Soles—Tat Sha Yu	lb.	26
Tench—Wan Yu	lb.	16
Turbot—Oho How Yu	lb.	18
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kouk Yu	lb.	60

FRUITS.

Fruit	Unit	Price
Almonds—Bang Yen	lb.	25
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Khe	lb.	18
(Ohefo)—Tin Chun Ping Khe	lb.	18

Meat.

Meat	Unit	Price
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing Heung Ohia lb.	lb.	3
(brides), Macao—San Heung Ohia	lb.	3
Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Lat	lb.	1
Carambola—Yeung To	lb.	1
Coconuts—Ye Tse	each	12
Grapes—Po Tai Tse	lb.	30
Lemons, China—Ling Mang	lb.	8
America—Kam Shan Liang Mang	lb.	10
Lichees Dried—Lai Chi, small Stone	lb.	28
Fresh	lb.	1
Oranges, (Canton)—Shan-shang Tim Ohing	lb.	5
Sweet	lb.	5
Pears, (American), K'm San Shoot Lay	lb.	10
(Canton), Cookin—Sha Li	lb.	10
Peanuts—Fa Shang	lb.	10
Plantain—Tai Ohia	lb.	1
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai	lb.	1
Pumelo, Siam—Ohim Lo Yau	each	14
Shanghai—Lo Kwat	lb.	15
Walnuts—Hop To	lb.	15
Green—Sang Hop Tuo	lb.	1
Water Melon—(Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each	1

VEGETABLES, &c.

Vegetables	Unit	Price
Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Ah Oh	lb.	8
Chen	lb.	8
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau	lb.	8
(French) Shang—Sheung Hoi Pin	lb.	8
Sprout—Ah Oh	lb.	8
Long—Tan Kok	lb.	8
Beet Root—Hung Ohoi Tau	each	6
Bitter Squash—Fa Kwa	lb.	8
Brinjals, Green—Ohing Yau Kwa	lb.	8
Red—Hung Ke	lb.	8
Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Ka Tsai	lb.	10
Cabbage, Shanghai—Ye Tsai	lb.	14
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shan	lb.	6
Carrots—Kam Shan	lb.	6
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Tsai	lb.	8
Chillies Dried—Kon Lap Ohia	lb.	25
Red—Hung Fa Ohia	lb.	10
Green—Ohing Lap Ohia	lb.	8
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Li Chu Lin	lb.	10
Cucumbers—Ohing Kwa	each	2
Garlic—Sun Tau	lb.	8
Ginger, young—Sun Tse Keung	lb.	6
old—Lo Keung	lb.	9
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	lb.	12
Indian Corn—Suk Mai	each	1
Lettuce—Yeung Shang Tsai	lb.	1
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	lb.	6
Mandarin—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	lb.	8
Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Oh Ko	lb.	35
Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa	lb.	1
Okroes	lb.	1
Onions Bombay—Yeung Ohong Tau	lb.	8
Green—Shang Ohong	lb.	6
Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Ohong Tau	lb.	7
Paraley—Kun Tsai	lb.	15
Green Peas—Ohing Tau	lb.	1
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	lb.	3
Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Shu Tau	lb.	1
Japan—Yat Pan Shu Tsai	lb.	3
American—Fa Ki Shu Tsai	lb.	8
Koochow—Koo-chow Shu Tsai	lb.	1
Pumpkin—Tong Kwa	lb.	3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	lb.	5
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	lb.	1
Sage—Tse So	lb.	1
Shallots—Kon Chung Tau	lb.	8
Spinach—Yin Tsai	lb.	5
Tomatoes—Fan Ke	lb.	6
Taro—Wu Tau	lb.	6
Turnip, Punti, (Long)—Lo Pak	lb.	4
English—Yeung Lo Pak	lb.	4
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa	lb.	4
(American)—Kam Shan Ohia	lb.	1
Water Cross—Sai Yeung Tsai	lb.	12
Lily root—Lin Ngau	lb.	6
Yams—Ta Shu	lb.	6
English—Yeung Kan Ohoi	lb.	1
Tau	lb.	1

Seafood.

Seafood	Unit	Price
Crabs	lb.	28
Shrimps	lb.	25
Snapper	lb.	25
Soles	lb.	26
Tench	lb.	16
Turbot	lb.	18
Turtles, small, fresh water	lb.	60

Fruit.

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Almonds	lb.	25
Apples (California)	lb.	18
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Commercial.

Shanghai Coal Report.
Messrs. Wheelock and Co. report for the fortnight ended March 18 states that there has only been a slight business done with native dealers in Japanese coal, but stocks in Shanghai are decreasing on account of the scarcity of tonnage and the high rates of freight ruling; although exchange has gone up recently quite appreciably in favour of buyers the rise has been offset by the increase in freight. In Japan stocks of coal at shipping ports are also on the decline; this is chiefly brought about by the increased activity in the steamer traffic on the Japan coast and consequent larger consumption of coal for bunker use and we think that the market in Japan, having touched the bottom, is now about to recover. The Fushun coal market is still suffering from a shortage of supplies. The Keiping coal market has lived up considerably since last writing, deliveries being well up to the average and stock still rather below; prices are firm.

Bovril, Ltd.
Presiding at the annual general meeting, held in London on February 10, the Earl of Erroll, K.T., O.B. in moving the adoption of the report, stated that though the past year had been a difficult one, Bovril had come through with flying colours, and they were able to show both record sales (apart altogether from Government orders) and largely increased profits. Government, War and Red Cross orders were always supplied by their Company on special terms, which left only a comparatively small margin of profit. The results for the year's working would have been considerably better were it not that there had been a continual rise in the price of cattle. As it took a good sized ox to make a dozen of the larger bottles of Bovril, it was evident the higher cost of cattle must have seriously affected the year's profits. The appreciation of Bovril was not confined to the public at home; out at the front where our soldiers were so heroically fighting, Bovril was a first favourite. In this connection he wished to mention the excellent work done by Miss Gladys Story, daughter of Mr. G. A. Story, the Royal Academician. This lady had most successfully organized a fund for supplying the Army in France with Bovril. Her work had met with the warm approval of the authorities, including General Sir Horace Smith-Dorrien, who, apropos of her recently published appeal headed "In Commemoration of Lord Roberts," wrote: "No suggestion has been so practical as your offer to provide the men in the trenches with Bovril, and such a project, bringing strength to our soldiers as it will, would, I am sure, have met with the approval of our much regretted late field marshal." The Chairman proposed a special donation of 100 guineas to the Red Cross funds, and this was unanimously agreed to. The Gross Profit on Trading was £304,180, against £284,209 for the previous period, and Stocks of Raw Material, Manufactured Products, etc., £282,614, Cash at Bank and On Hand £42,340, and Trade Debtors £176,928. In conclusion, he stated that there was not a single German or alien enemy employee in their factories either at home or abroad. The Report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

The Batavia Rubber Market.
A meeting of the newly formed Net or Latex India Rubber Trade Association was held at Batavia on the 9th inst. Mr. Kan, who presided, announced that forty tons of rubber had been promised for the first inscription sale, while 34 members had already joined. This number was increased at the meeting to 40. The draft rules and regulations were approved subject to certain minor verbal amendments and the subscription was fixed at £20. It was decided to hold the first rubber auction on Friday, March 20, in view of the sailing date of the steamer for America. Mr. Kan was appointed President of the association and Messrs. Van Vloten, Van Bannekom, Bessel, and Lambie were elected members of the committee. —Straits Times.

SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.-SELLERS SA.-SALES P.-BUYERS N.-NOMINAL											
STOCK.	To-day's Closing Prices	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914.		1915.		1915.		Last Dividend and Date
					Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	19th Mar. to now	19th Mar. to now	
Banks.											
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	\$800 s £76/-	20,000	\$25	all	855	July	700	Oct.	\$200	\$200	£2 3/- & 5/- bonus at ex 1/8 1/4 equal to \$27.27 for 1/2 year ending 31/12/14
Marine Insurances.											
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	60 s	10,000	\$250	50	350	Dec.	315	Oct.	260	360	Final of \$3 a/c 1912. Interim of \$18 a/c 1913.
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	175 s	10,000	£15	£1	145	May	133	Jan.	175	175	Final of 12 1/2 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1913
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	\$875 b	12,400	\$250	100	847 1/2	April	700	Oct.	\$875	\$841	Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1912 and Interim of \$30 for 1913
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	\$235 s	12,000	\$100	60	20	April	192 1/2	Jan.	235	235	Final of \$12 mak. \$15 for 1912 & Int. of \$3 for 1913
Fire Insurances.											
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$143 s	20,000	\$100	20	160	July	140	Oct.	143	143	\$10 for 1912
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$373 b	8,000	\$250	50	385 1/2	Feb.	368	April	373	373	\$27 for 1913
Shipping.											
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$45 1/2 sa. s.	30,000	\$25	all	10	Jan.	5 1/2	Dec.	5 1/2	5	\$1 for 1906
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$35 b.	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar.	27 1/2	Nov.	35	32	\$3 for year ending 30/6/14
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$23 s	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4	Jan.	23	Dec.	23	22	Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts for year ending 31/12/14
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	\$80 s.	60,000	£5	all	79	Jan.	50	Sept.	80	80	Final of 3% making 6% on preferred shares & 5% on deferred shares for year 1913
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$188/9 s.	3,797,610	£1	all	106 1/2	Feb.	70 1/2	Sept.	88/9	88/9	Interim of 1/2 a/c 1914 O. No. 23
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	\$36 s.	40,000	\$10	all	49	Mar.	40	Nov.	36	36	\$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14
Refineries.											
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$108 s	20,000	\$100	all	96 1/2	Feb.	70	Nov.	110	108 1/2	\$3 for 1912
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$38 s	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan.	17	Dec.	28	27	\$3 for 1897
Mining.											
Keilan Mining Administration, Ltd.	\$32 s.	1,000,000	£1	all	41 1/2	Feb.	33 1/2	Dec.	32 1/2	32 1/2	Final of 5% Coupon No. 4 making 10% for year ending 30/6/14
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	\$44 s.	200,000	£1	all	310	Jan.	190	Nov.	4 1/2	4 1/2	1/2 for 1909
Tronoh Mines Ltd.	\$31/6 s.	160,000	£1	all	39 1/2	Feb.	19 1/2	Nov.	32/6	31/6	1/2 mak. 7/6 a/c 1913
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.											
Hongkong & K.W. & C. Co., Ltd.	\$65 1/2 s.	60,000	\$50	all	89	Jan.	73	Nov.	65 1/2	65 1/2	\$3.50 for year 1914
H'kong & W'poo D. Co., Ltd.	\$59 sa. b	50,000	\$50	all	77	Jan.	53	Oct.	59	57	\$3 dividend for year 1913
Shai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	\$53 s.	58,700	£100	all	60	July	50	Dec.	53	53	Tls. 5 for 1913
Shai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	\$91 s.	38,000	£100	all	109	Jan.	82 1/2	Dec.	92 1/2	91	Tls. 5 for 1914
Land, Hotels and Buildings.											
Anglo French Lands	\$194 s.	13,000	£100	£100	—	—	—	—	94	94	Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29/2/14
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$118 s.	20,000	\$50	50	128	July	120	Dec.	118	118	\$2.50 for half year ending 31/12/14
H'kong Land Investment Co., Ltd.	\$110 s.	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July	98	Nov.	110	110	\$3 for year ending 31/12/14
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	\$61 s.	150,000	\$10	all	9 1/2	Jan.	7	Nov.	6 1/2	6 1/2	45 cts. for year 1914
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$42 s.	6,000	\$50	20	45 1/2	Jan.	44	Feb.	42	41	\$3 for 1914
Shanghai Lands	\$97 s.	78,000	£50	all	98	Dec.	89	Oct.	97	97	Final of 6 p.c. making 12 p.c. for 1914
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$68 1/2 s.	12,500	\$50	all	73	June	66	Feb.	68 1/2	68 1/2	\$2.25 for half year ending 31/12/14
H'kong Central Estates	\$95 s.	10,000	\$100	all	—	—	—	—	95	95	\$4.09 for 7 months ending 31/12/14
Cotton Mills.											
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	\$135 s.	20,000	£50	all	138	July	125	May	135 1/2	135	Tls. 12 for year ending 31/10/14
H'kong Cotton Co., Ltd.	\$64 s.	125,000	\$10	all	84	Mar.	7	June	6 1/2	6 1/2	50 cts. 31/7/08
K'loon Cotton Co., Ltd.	\$124 s.	75,000	£100	all	144	Jan.	11	Mar.	12 1/2	12 1/2	Tls. 12 for year ending 30/11/14
Laou Kung Mow	\$75 s.	8,000	£100	all	110	Feb.	70	May	86	85	Tls. 12 for 1913
Shanghai Cottons	\$15 s.	40,000	£50	all	135	Feb.	70	Nov.	87	85	Div. Tls. 6 Bonus Tls. 4 Extra Bonus Tls. 1 year end 30/6/14
Miscellaneous.											
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	\$11 sa.	50,000	\$5	all	12	May	10	Dec.	11	11	\$1.20 for 1913
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$34 s.	50,000	\$1	all	490	July	4	April	334	334	6% for year ending 28/2/06
Do. (Spec. shares)	\$34 s.	50,000	\$1	all	9	Jan.	7	Nov.	7 1/2	7 1/2	70 cts. for 1914.
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	\$74 s.	125,000	\$10	all	39	June	35	Aug.	34	33	\$1.50 for year ending 31/7/14
Fairy Farm Company, Ltd.	\$33 s.	40,000	\$5	all	630 1/2	Jan.	5	Dec.	7	6	40 cts. for 1911.
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$64 s.	400,000	\$10	all	49	Jan.	36	Nov.	41	41	\$1.80 per share for 1913
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$41 sa.	5,000	\$25	all	217 1/2	July	174	Dec.	190	190	Interim of \$2 1/2 a/c 1914
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.	\$190 s.	60,000	\$10	all	25	June	22	Apr.	27	27	Interim of \$1 a/c 1914
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	\$27 b.	325,000	5/-	all	13 1/2	July	7 1/2	Feb.	5.15	5.10	Final div. of 6d. making 7 1/2 p.c. for 1913
Langkats	\$39 s.	250,000	£10	all	64 1/2	Mar.	28	Dec.	39	39	Interim of T. 1 making T. 2 a/c 1913
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	\$10 s.	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2	Jan.	9 1/4	June	10	10	80 cts. on fully paid shares and 8 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30/4/14
Do. (New)	\$1 s.	50,000	\$10	all	93	etc. Jan.	75	etc. Dec.	\$1	\$1	None
Philippines Id.	\$5 s.	75,000	\$10	all	—	—	—	—	5	5	None
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	\$6 s.	12,000	\$10	10	—	—	—	—	6	6	\$1.50 for 1910.
Societe des Pulpes et Papier-teries du Tonkin	\$20 s.	13,200	\$50	all	—	—	—	—	20	20	None
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	\$39 s.	20,000	\$5	all	500	June	4	Nov.	334	34	35 cts. for year ending 31/5/14
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$18 s.	27,723	\$10	all	22 1/2	Feb.	17	Jan.	18	18	\$1.00 per share for year ending 31/12/14
Watson and Co., Ltd.	\$7 s.	90,000	\$10	all	84	April	69	Dec.	7	7	70 cts. for 1913
William Powell, Limited.	\$16 1/2 s.	21,000	\$7	all	9 1/2	Jan.	6 1/2	Dec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30/6/14
S. C. Morning Post	\$29 s.	6,000	\$25	all	30	June	92	Dec.	29	29	\$1. Interim a/c year 31/3/14

WRIGHT & HORNBY.

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EXCHANGE.

25th March.

Selling.	Demand India	137	T/T France	23 1/2
T/T	T/T Bombay	137	Demand Paris	23 1/2
Demand	Demand Bombay	137	On Haiphong	7 1/4 prem.
30 d/s	T/T Calcutta	137	On Saigon	7
60 d/s	Demand Calcutta	137	On Bangkok	8 1/2
4 m/s	Demand Manila	89 3/4	Buying.	
T/T Shanghai	T/T San Fco & N.Y.	43 1/2	4 m/s L/C	1/10 1/2
Private 30 d/s sight	Demand New York	44	4 m/s D.P.	1/10 1/2
T/T Singapore	T/T Java	111 1/4	6 m/s L/C	1/11
T/T Japan	T/T Marks	Nom.	30 d/s B'ney & M.	1/10 1/2
T/T India	Demand Germany		30 d/s San Fco & N.Y.	45 3/8
			4 m/s Marks	Nom.
			4 m/s France	2 1/2 1/2

6 m/s France	2 1/2 1/2
Gold Leaf per tael	\$56.40
Silver per tael	\$10.75 nom.
Bar Silver ready	23 13/16
forward	
SUBSIDIARY COINS.	
Discount per \$100	
Chinese	20 cts. pieces \$17 7/8
Chinese	10 " \$18 1/4
H'kong 20 cts. pieces	\$15 1/2
H'kong 10 "	\$15 7/16

BANKS

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION

HEAD OFFICE:
60, Wall Street, New York.
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36, Bishopsgate, E.C.
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BOMBAY. LONDON.
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CEBU. PEKING.
COLON. SAN FRANCISCO.
HANKOW. SHANGHAI.
HONGKONG. SINGAPORE.
KOBE. YOKOHAMA.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$3,250,000
RESERVE FUNDS \$4,000,000

(U.S. Gold) \$7,310,000
All kinds of FOREIGN & LOCAL BANKING BUSINESS transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received at rates to be ascertained on application.

N. S. MARSHALL,
Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd Oct. 1914.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

Established 1880.
Authorised Capital Yen 48,000,000
Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000
Reserve Fund " 19,600,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches: Amoy, Canton, Hankow, Harbin, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.
Ateliers at: Nagasaki, Newchwang, New York, Osaka, Peking, Rangoon, San Francisco, Seoul, Shanghai, Tientsin, Tokyo, Yokohama.

Interest Allowed on Current Accounts.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be ascertained on application.

EISHI ONO, Manager.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1915.

NCT CES.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up...\$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application.)

The Office of
TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF
WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,
Undertaken and Executed.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1908.

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK-DAYS.
7.00 A.M. to 8.00 A.M. Every 15 Min.
8.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. " 10 Min.
10.00 A.M. to 11.00 A.M. " 15 Min.
11.00 A.M. to 12.00 P.M. " 10 Min.
12.00 P.M. to 1.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
1.00 P.M. to 2.00 P.M. " 10 Min.
2.00 P.M. to 3.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
3.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. " 10 Min.
4.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M. " 10 Min.

NIGHT CARS.
8.00 P.M. and 9.00 P.M. to 12.00 P.M. Every 15 Min.
12.00 P.M. to 1.00 A.M. " 10 Min.
1.00 A.M. to 2.00 A.M. " 15 Min.
2.00 A.M. to 3.00 A.M. " 10 Min.
3.00 A.M. to 4.00 A.M. " 15 Min.
4.00 A.M. to 5.00 A.M. " 10 Min.
5.00 A.M. to 6.00 A.M. " 15 Min.
6.00 A.M. to 7.00 A.M. " 10 Min.

SUNDAYS.
7.45 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. Every 15 Min.
10.00 A.M. to 11.00 A.M. " 10 Min.
11.00 A.M. to 12.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
12.00 P.M. to 1.00 P.M. " 10 Min.
1.00 P.M. to 2.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
2.00 P.M. to 3.00 P.M. " 10 Min.
3.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
4.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M. " 10 Min.
5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
6.00 P.M. to 7.00 P.M. " 10 Min.

SATURDAYS.
Extra Car at 11.00 P.M. to 12.00 P.M. Every 15 Min.
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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1915.

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Sterling \$1,500,000 at 2/-

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THE WAR

(Continued from back of page 8.)

Aug. 27—Louvain burned by Germans. Japanese blockaded Tsingtau.

Aug. 28—Battle of Heligoland.

Sept. 2—German advance reaches Senlis, thirty miles from Paris, and swings eastward. French Government moves to Bordeaux.

Sept. 3—Russians occupy Lemberg.

Sept. 5—Battle of the Marne begins.

Sept. 7—Manhouge taken by the Germans.

Sept. 12—German retreat halts on the Aisne.

Sept. 20—Germans bombard Rheims and injure the famous Cathedral.

Sept. 22—German submarine sinks British cruisers Aboukir, Oressy, and Hogue. Russians capture Jaroslavl and invest Przemyśl.

Sept. 23—British troops from India land at Marseilles.

Sept. 28—Germans begin siege of Antwerp.

Oct. 2—Germans defeated at Augustow.

Oct. 5—Belgian Government removed from Antwerp to Ostend.

Oct. 7—Bombardment of Antwerp begins.

Oct. 9—Antwerp occupied by the Germans.

Oct. 12—A Boer commando in the Cape Province mutinies.

Oct. 13—Belgian Government transferred from Ostend to Havre.

Oct. 14—Allies occupy Ypres. Battle begins on the Yser.

Oct. 15—Ostend occupied by the Germans.

Oct. 16—British cruiser Hawke sunk by German submarine.

Oct. 24—Ten days' battle before Warsaw ends in German defeat.

Oct. 27—Russians recapture Lodz and Radom.

Oct. 29—Turkey begins war on Russia by naval attacks on Odessa and in the Crimea.

Oct. 30—Col. Maritz, rebel leader driven out of Cape Colony.

Nov. 1—German naval victory off the coast of Chile.

Nov. 3—German squadron makes a raid on British coast near Yarmouth.

Nov. 4—German cruiser York strikes mines in Jade Bay and sinks.

Nov. 5—England and France declare war on Turkey. Dardanelles forts bombarded. Russians recapture Jaroslavl.

Nov. 6—Tsingtau surrenders.

Nov. 7—Russians enter East Prussia.

Nov. 10—The Enliten destroyed.

Nov. 11—Germans capture Dixmude.

Nov. 12—Russians occupy Johannisburg in East Prussia.

Nov. 10—House of Commons votes a new army of 1,000,000 men. More than 1,100,000 men already under arms, exclusive of Territorials.

Nov. 23—Russians surround German corps south of Lodz.

Nov. 26—British battleship Bulwark destroyed by explosion in the Medway River. Germans break through Russian circle near Lodz.

Dec. 1—German Reichstag votes new credit of five billion marks. King George in Flanders.

Dec. 2—Austrians occupy Belgrade. Gen. De Wet captured.

Dec. 3—Serbians turn on Austrians in three days' battle which ends in a notable Serbian victory.

Dec. 6—Germans occupy Lodz.

Dec. 8—British naval victory off Falkland Islands. British occupy Buenos Aires in Asia Minor.

Dec. 9—Gen. Byers, Boer leader, killed at the Vaal River.

Dec. 13—British submarine sinks the Mesoudieh in Dardanelles.

Dec. 14—Serbians capture large Austrian forces.

Dec. 15—Austrians evacuate Belgrade.

Dec. 16—German cruisers bombard Scarborough and Hartlepool.

Dec. 18—Egypt proclaimed a British protectorate. Gen. Botha regards Boer rebellion as at an end.

Dec. 20-28—Severe fighting on the line of the Bzura River.

Dec. 22—French Parliament assembles.

Dec. 23—French Chamber votes war credit of \$340,000,000.

Dec. 25—British naval and aerial raid against Cuxhaven.

Dec. 28—French occupy St. Georges, near Nieuport.

Jan. 1, 1915—British battleship Formidable sunk in the Channel.

Jan. 3—French capture Steinbach.

Jan. 3-4—Russians win decisive victory over Turks in the Caucasus. Russians overrun Baku.

Jan. 5—French advance across Aisne, north of Soissons.

Jan. 13—Turks occupy Tabriz. Count Berchtold resigns.

Jan. 10—German air fleet bombards Yarmouth and other Norfolk coast towns.

Jan. 21—General Falkenhayn, German War Minister, resigns.

Jan. 24—British naval victory in North Sea: the Blucher sunk.

Jan. 26—Germans lose two battalions at Givenchy and Quinchy.

Jan. 31—Germany inaugurates submarine raids on British shipping.

Feb. 3—German destroyer sunk by Russian submarine off Denmark. German auxiliary cruiser sunk off Patagonia.

Feb. 5—Turks attempt to cross Suez Canal.

Feb. 6—Allies resolve to unite financial resources.

Feb. 8—Total British casualties 104,000. Turks retreat from Suez Canal.

Feb. 10—Germans execute the rebel Maritz.

Feb. 17—Canadian contingent lands in France.

Feb. 20-27—Over 10,000 Germans surrender in France.

Feb. 27—Allied Fleet enters the Dardanelles after destructive bombardment.

Mar. 1—House of Commons votes supplementary credit of 37 millions and a fresh credit of 250 millions.

March 3—British aeroplanes attack Ostend.

March 9—Second Canadian contingent lands in England.

March 3-10—Four German submarines accounted for.

March 10—British capture Neuve Chapelle.

March 14—Announced that German losses in La Bassée region total 10,000 in three days.

March 14—German cruiser Dresden sunk off Juan Fernandez Island.

March 16—Sir John French estimates German losses in La Bassée region to be 17,000.

March 18—British battleships Irresistible and Ocean and French battleship Bouvet sunk by floating mines in Dardanelles. Admiralty announces that it has reason to believe the Karlsruhe was sunk off the West Indies in November.

March 19—Russians enter Memel, East Prussia.

March 21—Futile Zeppelin raid on Paris.

March 22—Przemysl surrenders to the Russians.

Escaped from Tsingtau.

London, March 12.

Peking:—Herr Pappenheim, a German Military Attaché, accompanied by eight Germans who escaped from Tsingtau and recovered Chinese passports for a hunting expedition in the interior, is now located between Bussida and Tsitsihar, with 20 camels and a large supply of explosives, with the apparent object of blowing up Russian railway tunnels. The party are at present heading towards Manchuria. The Russians are endeavouring to capture the party. Pappenheim offered a Chinese official 50,000 roubles for assistance.

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Commencing on Saturday, the 27th inst. a mail for Canton will be closed at the G. P. O. every Saturday, at 6 p.m.

The Tamba Maru, with the American Mail, and Mail from London (via Siberia) of Thursday, the 25th ult. due to arrive here on Saturday, the 27th inst.

The Tamba Maru, with the American Mail or Manchuria, is scheduled to arrive here on Sunday, the 28th inst.

The Ernest Simons, with the French Mail, is due to arrive here on Sunday, the 28th inst.

MAILS DUE.

American & Siberian, Tamba M., 27th inst. American, Tamba Maru, 28th inst. French, Ernest Simons, 28th inst.

MAILS CLOSE TO-MORROW.

Siberian Mail. Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia) Per ORIENTAL, 28th inst. 9 a.m.

Tientsin-Pukow Railway Shanghai Br. P. O. Monday, the 29th March.]

Haiphong—Per KEIO MARU, 26th inst. 9 a.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Aden, India, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe. Late Letters 10.30 a.m. to 11 a.m. (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The parcel mail will be closed on Thursday the 25th inst. at 5 p.m.—Per NUBIA, 26th inst. 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAI-CHING, 26th inst. 3 p.m.

Shanghai, and North China—Per YING-CHOW, 26th inst. 4 p.m.

Chefoo and Newchwang—Per SING-SEING, 26th inst. 4 p.m.

Shanghai & North China—Per TUNG-SEING, 26th inst. 4 p.m.

Hongkong—Per TAKSANG, 26th inst. 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, 27th March.

Philippine Is. Japan via Nagsaki and Seattle, Wash.—Per MINNESOTA, 27th inst. 11 a.m.

Wol-hai-wel & Tientsin—Per HUICHOW, 27th inst. 11 a.m.

Philippine Is.—Per LOONGSANG, 27th inst. 2 p.m.

Haiphong—Per SUNGKIANG, 27th inst. 4 p.m.

MONDAY, 29th March.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow via Tamsui—Per KALJO M., 29th inst. 11 a.m.

Haiphong & Hongkong—Per LOEANG, 29th inst. 4 p.m.

Shanghai & N. China—Per KWONG-BANG, 29th inst. 4 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Kwongang, Br. s.s. 1423, W. F. Richard; 25th inst.—Shanghai, 20th inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Nubia, Br. s.s. 3497, A. B. Garwood, 25th inst.—Shanghai, 22nd inst. Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Kwonglo, Chinese s.s. 646, B. Miyaka, 25th inst.—Bangkok, 15th inst. Rice—Chinese.

Shaoheing, Br. s.s. 1307, Tueben, 25th inst.—Shanghai, Gen.—B. & S.

Zafiro, Am. s.s. 2535, Ventorini, 25th inst.—Canton, 21st inst. Rice—Chinese.

Kwangshai, Chi. s.s. 1534, Davis, 25th inst.—Canton, Gen.—C.M.S. Co.

Hainan, Chinese s.s. 1258, Munro, 25th inst.—Canton, Gen.—C.M.S. Co.

Hikosan Maru, Jap. s.s. 3334, S. Fujikaki, 25th inst.—Saigon, 20th inst. Rice—M. B. K.

Luxon Maru, Japan s.s. 2593, T. Miyata, 25th inst.—Kobe, 20th inst. Gen.—O. S. K.

DEPARTED.

March 24.

Tungshan for Canton
Namsang for Calcutta via Singapore
Prometheus for Bangkok
Tosa Maru for Calcutta via Singapore
Yingchow for Canton
Fausang for Saigon

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

March 24.

Suwa Maru for London via Singapore
Talsun for Canton
Chiyo Maru for San Francisco via Shanghai
Wenchow for Pakhoi via Hoihow.

March 25.

Luchow for Shanghai
S. Rickmers for Singapore
Kwangsang for Canton
Shaoheing for Canton
Nubia for Bangkok via Singapore
Namsang for Sandakan
Benvolish for Yokohama via Nagasaki

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Shaoheing from Shanghai—Mr. & Mrs. Garibaldi.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED

Per s.s. Suwa Maru for Europe etc.—Mr. H. E. Minister, G. Nishi, Mrs. E. O. Evans, Miss Beatrice Lowe, R. J. Birbeck, Barriere Jamal, Capt. MacFarlane, A. Autolini, R. D. Deacon, Mrs. Girardot, Capt. J. Deane, W. B. Gillespie.

TUESDAY, 30th March.

Philippine Islands and Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, United States, South America & U.K. Mails.
S. S. Francisco & U. Kingdom via Canada—Per OHINA, 30th inst. 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Japan via Moji, Victoria, and Tacoma and United Kingdom via Canada—Per CANADA MARU, 30th inst. 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per OHINUA, 30th inst. 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, 2nd April.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAI-CHING, 2nd April, noon.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAI-MUN, 30th inst. noon.

SATURDAY, 3rd April.

Saigon, Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Aden, India, Egypt & Europe.—Per POLYNESIAN, 3rd April, 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, 6th April.

Philippine Is.—Per TAMING, 6th April, 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 7th April.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand via Port Darwin, and New Guinea, via Thursday Is.—Per OHANG-SHA, 7th April, 11 a.m.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 25th at 10.40—Pressure has given way moderately over N. China, Japan and the Loochoos. It has risen at all other stations in the area, especially over N. Japan, the depression having passed into the Pacific.

The anticyclone has continued to move eastwards and is now situated to the S.E. of Tokyo. A fresh area of high pressure covers China and appears to be central between the valleys of the Canton River and the upper Yangtze.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.11 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood. N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

2 Formosa Channel. N.E. winds, fresh.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register. 25th Mar., a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
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Wootock	7a	30.16		n	1		
Nemuro	6a	30.16		n	1		
Hakodate		30.11		nne	1		
Tokio		30.14		nne	1		
Kochi		30.09		sw	1		
Yokohama		30.10		sw	1		
Kagima		30.10		no	2		
Ohshima		29.99		no	0		
Naha		29.97		naw	1		
Ishijima		30.09		nno	3		
Bonin Is.		30.06					
Chefoo		30.16	30	naw	7	0	
W. Hainan		30.16	30	naw	7	0	
Shanghai		30.17	41	sw	2	bo	
Gutai		30.13	47	naw	4	om	
Sharp P.	7a	30.11	54	80	0	c	
Amoy	6a	30.13	57	94	ne	2	c
Swatow		30.14	59	79	naw	3	
Taihu		30.08	59	n	3	o	
Tainan		30.04	61	n	5	o	
Koshun		30.03	66	n	0	b	
P. Korea		30.08	63	ne	5	o	
Canton	6a	30.22	57	81	n	4	o
H'kong		30.12	62	73	nne	4	o
Gap Book		30.11	59	naw	1	o	
Macao		30.11	59	naw	1	o	
Wuchow	9a						
Pakhoi							
Hoihow							
Enliten	6a	30.17	61	96	nne	1	o
Courane		30.00	72		sw	4	o
O. B. J.		29.69	72		ene	6	o
Appari		29.97	77	84	n	2	o
Dagupan		29.91	75	88	naw	1	b
Manila		29.94	73	93	o	b	
Legaspi		29.94	73	92	o	b	
Tacloban		29.92	75	81	n	3	o
Burigo							
Labuan							

O. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Mar. 25.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, blue sky, a detached cloud, drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, hazy, lightning, overcast, p. raining showers, equally, r. rain, snow, thunder, visibility, w. dew wet.

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On date On date at p.m. at 6 a.m. at 3 p.m.

Barometer 30.11 30.18 30.14

Temperature 64 63 70

Humidity 84 73 55

Wind Direction E NNE WSW

Force 4 1 2

Weather 0 0 0

Rain 0.11

Highest temp. at 2 p.m. 75

Lowest " " 61

H.K. Observatory, 25th March.

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TIDE TABLE.

22nd Mar. to 28th Mar. 1915.

High Water Mean Time. Low Water Mean Time.

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